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THE EVE OF THE CONTEST

MR. CAMERON STILL HEADS THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

THE COMBINATION MANAGERS AFRAID TO DEPOSE HIM—THEIR PLAN CONSEQUENTLY ABANDONED—SENATOR HOAR TO BE TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN—THE QUESTION REGARDING THE UNIT RULE TO BE DECIDED BY THE CONVENTION—DEFEAT OF BLAINE AND SHERMAN CONSIDERED CERTAIN.

CHICAGO, June 1.—In Chicago to-day there has been for a moment a lull in direct speculation as to the result in regard to Presidential candidates. The minds of all, leaders and followers alike, seem to have been occupied by the consideration of the action taken by the National Committee last night and the result of that action as it was developed in the committee to-day. At the meeting last night, the whole object of the combination majority was so to manipulate the temporary organization that they would be able to overcome by parliamentary trickery the Grant majority which they were unable fairly to neutralize. The whole struggle of the Grant men in the committee was to defeat the obvious conspiracy of the opposition to manufacture a convention of a different complexion from that sent here by the Republicans of the nation. The Blaine men complained because they were not allowed to vote themselves a Committee on Credentials. This they had the votes to do, and this they took tentative steps to do. Concealed beneath their innocent request to the Chairman to rule a certain way in the National Convention on the unit rule, was an entirely different purpose. What they wanted was a pretext for seizing the Chairmanship for the accomplishment of other purposes. This was to have been followed by the displacement of the Secretary, a Grant man. With these offices secured, they could have made a roll which, while authoritative as emanating from the officers, would nevertheless have been a false roll, and as bold a usurpation as the body which Garcelon attempted to vitalize as the Legislature of Maine. As the Garcelon outrage was defeated by the good sense and good law of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Maine, so the attempt to capture the National Republican Convention was defeated by the coolness and invincible will of Don Cameron, in his refusal to entertain the motions, which, if adopted, would have recognized the power of the National Committee to settle claims to seats in the Convention. The utter helplessness of the anti-Grant men under Mr. Cameron's firm refusal to allow the committee to enter upon the field the Blaine leaders had marked out, saved a split in the committee.

This morning there was the liveliest comment in regard to the action which was taken last night, and various opinions were expressed as to the effect it would have upon the ultimate result. Some of the more belligerent and outspoken Blaine and Sherman men talked violently in favor of removing Senator Cameron from the Chairmanship of the National Committee and of substituting some one of their own number in his place. Upon mature consideration, however, they came to the conclusion that they could not in this way afford to arouse the people of Pennsylvania and endanger that State in the coming contest. Nevertheless, for buncombe, as it subsequently appeared, the opposition majority of the committee came together, and after some rather heated speech-making the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, At a meeting of the National Committee on the 31st of May, the Hon. J. B. Chaffee, member from Colorado, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this committee recognizes the right of delegates in a Republican National Convention freely to cast and to have counted his individual vote therein according to his own sentiments, and if he so decides against any unit rule or any other instructions passed by a State Convention, yet that right was conceded without dissent, and was exercised, in the Conventions of 1860 and 1868, and was, after full debate, confirmed by the Convention of 1876, and has thus become a part of the law of Republican conventions, and until reversed by a Convention it must remain a governing principle; and

Whereas, The Hon. R. C. McCormick, member from Arizona, offered a resolution to the sole purport; and

Whereas, The following resolution was offered by Mr. Averill, of Minnesota:

Resolved, That a committee of three, consisting of Mr. Jewell, Mr. Aldred, and the Secretary of this Committee, Mr. Keogh, be appointed to consider what action ought to be taken by the National Committee in reference to the rule of the Convention, and to report on the same to this committee.

All of which resolutions were refused to be entertained by the Chairman, who, also, in each case, refused to entertain an appeal from such refusal; therefore

Resolved, That in view of this course of the Chairman of the committee in obstructing its necessary and proper business, and of the purpose thereby indicated of action which will be full of peril and may be fatal to the Republican Party, this committee, under its plenary power, does hereby relieve the Chairman of the committee, and does hereby appoint the Hon. M. C. Cooper, member from Ohio, the acting Chairman.

Resolved further, That while calling to order and aiding in the organization of the Republican National Convention of 1880, the Chairman of this committee is respectfully requested, in any ruling which he may make and in his action pending such organization, to recognize the right of every individual member to vote his individual sentiments upon every question arising upon a rising vote.

These resolutions were adopted by the caucus of the majority, and at once a statement went abroad to the effect that Don Cameron had been removed or was to be removed from the Chairmanship of the National Committee. This report had upon the crowds in the hotel lobbies and elsewhere an effect which can scarcely be described. Upon every hand, for days past, the opposition managers and shouters have been declaring that Gen. Grant could not carry this, that, and the other State, and have made upon him a warfare which was not only unrepublican but most disgraceful. Hitherto, the Grant people have remained silent under these attacks, but to-day when it was stated that the majority would take arbitrary action and remove Mr. Cameron from the head of the committee, a marked revolution of feeling occurred, and for the first time the Grant men asserted themselves in their might. At this point they began to see that patience had ceased to be a virtue, and they, too, began to declare that, under certain circumstances, disagreeable results might follow. The purport of their statement was that, if Don Cameron were removed, Pennsylvania could not be counted in the Republican column. This fair warning had its effect, and in a few hours the friends of the opposition were earnestly deprecating any such hasty and ill-advised movement as that contemplated by the resolution above given.

The friends of Gen. Grant also, desiring harmony and the welfare of the Party, decided that they would make one last effort to reconcile their violent opponents. To this end, Senators Conkling, Logan and Carpenter, together with Gen. Arthur and one or two others, came together and consulted. The result of their consultation was the formation of a proposition, subsequently submitted to the Blaine-Sherman majority in the committee. This proposition was presented by Gen. Arthur, Senator Conkling, Filley, and Keogh, and was to the effect that Hon. George F. Hoar, of Massachusetts, be proposed as temporary Chairman by the committee, and that, should he be elected by the friends of Gen. Grant, it being conceded that Mr. Hoar was not a violent partisan of either of the prominent candidates. Further, the Grant men insisted that they would, under no circumstances, permit any tampering with the roll of delegates, as it had been prepared by the Secretary of the National Committee. In the same direction it was stated that the roll had been based upon the credentials furnished by State Conventions and upon prima facie evidence of the right of the delegates to seats. Still further, the representatives of the Grant side declared that they would not admit the right of any discussion in regard to the vote of Illinois being cast in the temporary organization, as directed by the Springfield Convention. When this proposition was submitted, the combination managers asked for time to consider it. This was granted. Their consultation was a protracted one. In the end they came to the conclusion that the rejection of the fair terms which had been offered to them, and the removal of Senator Cameron, would only result in a bolt, the existence of two committees with two Chairmen, and a physical struggle for the possession of the platform in the Convention to-morrow. They were wise enough to accept fully the proposition made to them.

When they announced this decision, the National Committee was again called to order, and Senator Cameron, in a few words, expressed his gratification at the amicable conclusion which had been reached. Mr. Averill, of Minnesota, not content with this tacit declaration that the Chairman had acquiesced in the result, said: "Will the Chair then promise to abide by the understanding which we have entered into?" To this Mr. Cameron, with a characteristic sneer, replied: "The gentleman has been answered. I do not think any further discussion is necessary." Soon after this, when routine business of no importance had been transacted, the committee adjourned. By its action it is now assured that no contest in regard to the unit rule, upon which so much is believed to depend, will occur until after the appointment of a Committee on Credentials, and until that committee has reported.

The programme of organization as it will be carried out is substantially as follows: Senator Cameron, as Chairman of the National Committee, will call the Convention to order, and will nominate as temporary Chairman Senator George F. Hoar, of Massachusetts. To the selection of that gentleman there will be no objection, and he will take his seat. Then, after the transaction of the preliminary business of the Convention, the Committee on Credentials will be appointed, it is believed, in the usual way, by States. To that committee will be referred the contests, including, of course, that of Illinois. The committee, if made up as it is proposed, will consist of a majority of anti-Grant men. This majority will doubtless report in favor of breaking the unit rule by admitting the 19 district delegates who claim seats from Illinois, thereby giving to each district the privilege of casting its vote without reference to the action of State Conventions. The Grant men, on the other side, will present a minority report, and upon these two papers the real fight of the Convention will turn. How it will result remains to be seen, but the friends of Grant, basing, as they believe, their calculations upon the most careful canvass, are positive in the prediction that the minority report will be adopted. But as it is perhaps unnecessary to state, the fight in the temporary organization has, by the action of the committee, been simply postponed, not entirely averted.

In regard to what effect the action of the committee may have upon the ultimate result, there is to-night much discussion and the widest difference of opinion. Both sides claim a victory. The Grant men say very truthfully that the opposition did not dare to depose Don Cameron. The friends of the opposition, on the other hand, claim that Cameron was not powerful enough to put through what was believed to have been his original intention of placing an avowed Grant man in the chair. So the subject is discussed, violently or calmly, according to the temper of the combatants, and the general verdict of sensible people is that the great contest has in no way been affected by the outcome of the wrangle in the committee, and that by it no votes will be lost or won on either side.

The fight in the New-York delegation and the universal understanding that at least 19 delegates have pledged themselves to break away from the instructions of the Utica Convention on the first ballot, has not given to the friends of Grant that uneasiness which was expected; nor are they alarmed by the prospect that from 15 to 19 men in the Pennsylvania delegation talk lately of following the example of the New-York recreants. The opposition managers, however, profess to believe that these deserters have practically decided the contest; that the unit rule will certainly be broken by the Convention, and that Grant's defeat is no longer a question. There is much reason to believe that they do not feel the confidence which they profess. It is at least assured that their organization is not a compact one, and that they count upon many votes which are certain to be cast against them. They do all the shouting, all the singing, all the hurrahing, all the talking about the hotel lobbies, all the crowding through the streets, all the wild speech-making. The Grant men are doing hard but quiet work.

The leaders of the Grant movement are just as confident now, if not more so, than they were in the commencement, and those who know best the men who are at the helm need not be assured that their confidence is based upon figures which they believe to be accurate ones. Still, it must be admitted that the contest, at the best, is an exceedingly close one. There are a number of timid men who are in their hearts favorable to Grant, but who have been alarmed by the wild cry of no third term, which seems to go through every street of Chicago and which is passed from mouth to mouth in every hotel corridor. These men, knowing that the defeat of Blaine and Sherman is almost a foregone conclusion, and also fearing that Gen. Grant may not succeed, are casting about after some outside candidate who may, in the end, carry off the laurels in the convention. Senator Edmunds has, of course, been prominently mentioned, and it seems sure that when the Blaine-Sherman break occurs he will receive many votes. In certain circles Senator Conkling is also mentioned as a candidate to whom the Grant strength might almost be transferred en masse and who could win from other directions enough votes to be nominated. Senator Bruce, of Mississippi, who is now an outspoken advocate of Sherman, and who is undoubtedly able to control the vote of at least 20 Southern delegates, makes no secret of his intention to vote for Conkling should that gentleman's name ever be mentioned in the Convention. To do this he says that he will desert Sherman, with whom he has had a distinct understanding, and who thoroughly knows his purpose of taking the course indicated. It must be stated, to Senator Conkling's credit, that he will permit none of his friends to discuss such a proposition. He is thoroughly in earnest in the Grant campaign, and will leave no stone unturned which promises success to his side. He has displayed rare tact and good sense in his management of the delegates, and it is remarked that never before in his life has he used his many attractive powers to such good advantage. Contrary to his usual course, he mingles freely with all the representatives of the various States now here, and by a suavity and graciousness of manner which, when he desires, is peculiarly his own, he is winning golden opinions from those who have heretofore regarded him as exclusive and aristocratic. The organization which has been made under his direction consists of a committee composed of one Grant representative from each State, and of a superior committee, consisting of five persons, which direct the entire campaign. From the reports which have been received from the large committee, the Senator and those who are in his confidence feel assured that Gen. Grant will be the next Republican nominee.

The Grant men, together with those of the opposition who are not blinded by prejudice, join in the assertion that if Grant is not nominated some candidate other than the three now prominently mentioned will be. To sum up, the situation is about as follows: The large majority of the prominent politicians in Chicago regard Grant's nomination as reasonably certain. A few profess to be assured that Blaine can be nominated. One or two enthusiasts still declare an unalterable faith in the success of Sherman. A large majority of disinterested observers believe that, while Grant is, beyond all question, the strongest candidate now prominently mentioned, his nomination is not assured. It can only be stated definitely that Mr. Conkling, as the representative of Gen. Grant, could, if he so desired, in one hour select the nominee of the Convention. If a large majority of the Grant vote was transferred to some such man as Edmunds the opposition would break to him simultaneously. It is just possible that the men who are prominently advocating such a course have a covert motive which does not appear upon the surface. If that motive is to create a panic among Grant's friends, it will not succeed. There is no likelihood of any break among them. They are steadfast and immovable. The wavering is on the other side. If Grant is nominated, as it is most likely that he will largely owe his success to stalwart, steadfast Republicans and whatever may be the outcome they promise to support his candidacy to the end. It is hardly possible that anything but a direct combination between the Blaine and Sherman people, and a stampede of the weak-knees in the Convention can defeat the ex-President.

Late last evening an enthusiastic caucus of Grant delegates from all the States and territories was held at the request of a number of prominent members of the New-York delegation. Two hundred and ninety-six delegates were present, and though there was no formal pledge exacted, they all agreed to vote first and last for Grant. At least 60 pronounced Grant men who can surely be relied upon were not present. Senator Conkling addressed the meeting in his usual eloquent fashion, and excited the utmost enthusiasm among those present. H. C.

A POLITICIAN'S FIGURES.

MORE THAN ENOUGH GRANT VOTES TO NOMINATE EVEN IF THE UNIT RULE IS SET ASIDE.

CHICAGO, June 1.—While the talkers have been jabbering all the day in the hotels, the "workers" have been busy among the delegations, informing themselves of every arrival, and keeping close account of the standing of delegates. A survey of the field made this evening, before all the delegates had arrived, and without reference to the contests which must be decided in the Convention, satisfied the Grant men that there was no occasion whatever for alarm, and that their prospects were still far better than those of their disorganized opponents. According to this canvass, the delegations stand at present as follows:

FOR GRANT.

Alabama	20	Massachusetts	8
Arkansas	12	Michigan	1
Colorado	6	Missouri	30
Dakota	1	Mississippi	6
District of Columbia	1	New-York	51
Florida	8	Pennsylvania	41
Georgia	15	Tennessee	19
Illinois	49	Texas	12
Indiana	6	Virginia	22
Kentucky	20	Wisconsin	1
Maryland	7	Wyoming	1
Total			352

To these, the person making the canvass—he is a politician of national importance—says he would confidently add:

Louisiana	16	North Carolina	20
Minnesota	10	South Carolina	14

This would give Grant 380 votes, or 1 more than is necessary to nominate. The authority quoted regards it as extremely probable that several votes will be obtained for Grant in New-Jersey, and that enough scattering votes will be found, if the unit rule is set aside, to make Grant's vote 400 on the first ballot, if it should be necessary to complete the roll-call.

THE NEW-YORK DELEGATION.

A LAME DEFENSE OF THE BOLTERS—WOODIN'S STATEMENTS SHOWN TO BE UNTRUE—GEN. HUSTED'S PICKLENESS—A GRANT RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Chief among the subjects of interest discussed here to-day was the course of Senator Robertson and the 18 other New-York delegates, who last night burst into view with their protest against the nomination of Gen. Grant. If the gentlemen who took part in framing and issuing the protest sought for notoriety, they have obtained it; if they expected that they were about to lead a stampede, they have discovered that they were decidedly mistaken. While Senator Robertson's name heads the list of bolters, and the stranger is apt to be taken in and to come to the conclusion that Senator Robertson furnished the boldness necessary to make the protest a tangible thing, it is very well known among the New-York delegates that Woodin has fed all his associates with fuel and supplied the spark that produced the little political bonfire. "We have burned our bridges," said Senator Woodin to-day, "and we expect to go right on the way we have mapped out." This little outburst has scarcely produced a stir among any delegation outside of that from Pennsylvania, but it has afforded immense comfort to the Dittenhoefer and Watrous hordes of guerrillas, who came here representing a few people of little account at the polls. Among the Grant men who have been working steadily for their man, dispensing with the noise and bluster that characterizes every proceeding of their opponents, the little bolt in the New-York delegation, which was not unlooked for, has not produced anything like panic or discouragement. If the protesters enjoy contempt, they can find enough to gut their appetite, for there is no disposition to spare them for hesitating last night in the meeting of the New-York delegation when they were afforded an opportunity to state their grievances and to talk as boldly and defiantly as they chose.

It was generally known that the New-York delegation would meet again this morning at 11 o'clock, and, as that hour approached, the head-quarters of the delegation at the Grand Pacific became surrounded by New-York visitors and many Pennsylvania delegates, who were curious to know what was to be done. The protesters came along in a body, Senators Robertson and Woodin at the head, and John B. Dutcher and the others just behind. Murmurs of disapproval greeted them from the crowd as they passed along, and some of the Michigan men vainly endeavored to get up a Blaine cheer by way of encouragement. The parlor in which the delegation met was filled, nearly every delegate and about half of the alternates being present. Senator Conkling marched in majestically, with a calm and conciliatory smile on his face. Taking the chair, he talked for awhile with Edwards Pierrepont and Lieut.-Gov. Hoskins, who sat near by. The bolters sat in a corner, huddled together, where they could consult. Woodin sat forward as the spokesman, with Sessions and Robertson at his elbow. Gen. Husted was not present. For some reason, he has kept his room since his arrival. Perhaps it is because the report has been noised about that he had repeatedly declared his intention to vote for Grant. That he has done this there can be no doubt. Meeting John F. Smyth in the hall of the Grand Pacific, he referred to the fact that Husted was absent. "He's a nice man, this Husted. Let me tell you something to show you what a fickle creature he is, and how he has been looking out for the main chance. Not a great while ago, in Albany, the General telephoned me at my home, asking me to call upon him, as he had something very important to talk about. I called, and remained more than an hour in conversation with him. Our talk was about the General's position, and he spoke very freely. He declared most emphatically that he had once and for all time cut loose from Senator Robertson, and did not propose to be longer dictated to by him. In the National Convention, he said, he should vote for Gen. Grant and according to the instructions of the State Convention. 'Moreover,' said the General to me—and this was the cream of the interview—'I would like to be the candidate for Vice-President with Grant, and I expect the New-York delegation will help me to get that nomination.'"

The meeting of the delegation went on without Husted. Senator Conkling called it to order. Gen. Sharpe had a resolution ready, which he offered for consideration. It was to the effect that in the Convention the New-York delegation should vote as a unit for Grant, under the mandate of the State Convention. He consented to redraft the resolution, so that it should be more explicit, and when it was again offered, Senator Conkling called Lieut.-Gov. Hoskins to the chair and took the floor. He spoke for 40 minutes, and with such force and eloquence as he has seldom spoken before. He was plain, yet not bitter, in his criticism of the recreant 19 who had uttered their protest against Gen. Grant as a candidate. His presentation of Grant's candidacy was a warm, hearty tribute to the silent man's worth. While he respected gentlemen who had preferences for some other man, he could not understand their hostility to the patriot whose record had been so creditable to his country. The people regarded him as a peerless man. "No other name can be named," said he, "that will command so hearty a support at the polls as Gen. Grant's." He referred to the action of the protesters with some scorn as a thing done clandestinely, and urged them to hold to their allegiance to the State Convention, which had created them delegates. Reading from a report of the Utica Convention, he repeated with intense emphasis the exact words used by Senator Woodin on that occasion, when he declared that he should be bound in honor, although preferring another man, to vote for Grant if the convention should so instruct. With this shot at Senator Woodin he closed his speech.

Senator Woodin was evidently disturbed when he rose to reply. He had, in the most merciful language possible, been flayed, and it was natural that he should squirm. He spoke in a subdued voice, with some difficulty, making his explanations and apologizing for the attitude of his co-conspirators. In answering, he said, for his associates, who had been frequently alluded to, they had adopted the course they had as the only one open to them by which they could honestly represent their constituents. While he had great regard for the Senator's opinions, he claimed to be equally as sincere, as good a Republican, and as anxious for the success of the party as any Republican. He, for one, could not misrepresent his constituents. If they had believed that he would vote for Gen. Grant in the convention, they would not have sent him here. Those constituents did not believe that Gen. Grant could carry the State of New-York, and demanded some other candidate. Senator Woodin appealed to his colleague, John B. Murray, to say whether he had not spoken truly. Unfortunately for Mr. Woodin, Mr. Murray answered most emphatically that the Twenty-sixth District had been misrepresented, and that he was sure the voters who had sent him as a delegate, confidently hoped that Gen. Grant would be nominated, believing when they chose their delegates that he would be, and that his election would be certain to follow. Senator Woodin also appealed to John N. Knapp for a confirmation of his statements, and Gen. Knapp stated, as Murray had done, that Woodin's utterances were not true. Senator Woodin made some efforts to explain, in the course of which he again fell back to the defense of his position, saying that he would vote in the Convention until the vote was taken on President. He would not disobey instructions, but would substitute his alternate, who would vote as his judgment should dictate.

More discussion followed, on a motion of Senator Woodin to substitute for Gen. Sharpe's resolution one directing the Chairman of the delegation to cast the vote on all questions in accordance with the individual preferences of the delegates. This was modified to except the vote on President, and the resolution was then adopted, by a vote of 45 to 23, in the following form:

Resolved, That in the record of the votes cast by the delegates from the State of New-York the vote shall be announced by the Chairman, and in case of a division the Chairman shall announce the number of votes cast for or against any proposition, or for or against any candidate, except on the vote for President, and on that question the vote of New-York shall be cast for Gen. Grant until the further direction of this delegation.

The delegates who voted against this resolution were Birdsall and Hawkins of the First District, Schroeder and Daggett of the Third, Robertson of the Twelfth, Dutcher of the Thirteenth, Bitvers and Wales of the Fourteenth, Rockwell and Abell of the Eighteenth, Dickinson and James of the Nineteenth, Wagner and West of the Twentieth, Jacobs of the Twenty-first, Douglass and Sylvester of the Twenty-second, McCarthy and Belden of the Twenty-fifth, Woodin of the Twenty-sixth, Langdon of the Twenty-ninth, and Allen and Sessions of the Thirty-third. Rockwell said he was opposed to the unit rule, but should vote for Grant. McCarthy spoke for himself and Belden. He, too, would vote for Grant, but was opposed to placing any restriction on delegates. Bruner, of the Thirtieth District, was excused from voting. He said he would vote for Grant, but would not vote to restrict delegates.

After the committee meeting, Senator Woodin declared that the protesters care nothing for the resolution passed. When the time comes, the 19 will be heard from. A man will speak for them in the Convention who will demand that their votes shall be received as they prefer to cast them. If they are refused this request, the responsibility for refusing will be upon the men who assume to manage the Convention.

As for the independents and their allies, they have done little more than add noise to the tumult of the Blaine men, and to extend comfort to the struggling forces of Sherman. Nobody cares much about them, and they are likely to receive far less consideration than the women who are working to obtain a suffrage plank in the national platform.

SOME OF THE INCIDENTS.

FAMILIAR FACES IN THE HOTEL LOBBIES—WAYS OF THE OPPOSITION—ADVICE WITH CONTRARY RESULT.

CHICAGO, June 1.—In the lobbies of the hotels are to be seen to-day scores of well-known railroad attorneys, whose facts have been familiar in the lobbies of the Capitol at Washington for years. All of these are ardent anti-Grant men, and one of them exhibited to a delegate he was trying to influence, a memorandum-book, with a list of each delegation and checks against the names of those assumed to have been "magnetized" in the interest of the opposition. One of these attorneys went to Mr. D. Pinckney West, of the Maryland delegation, and offered him $70 for his seven tickets to seats in the Convention, and wanted to deputize him to buy up others at $10 each. Mr. West is an ardent Grant man, and threatened to take summary action with the Blaine agent if he did not keep away from the Maryland head-quarters.

The coalition of the opposition appears to have no cohesion except on the question of controlling the temporary organization of the Convention. The moment a Blaine man endeavors to convince a Sherman man that it is folly to continue to fight in behalf of his favorite, the latter will not permit him to state his reasons, but instantly manifests the bitterest hostility to the proposition. Sherman clubs from Ohio are numerous here, and they have organized themselves into committees to visit the various State head-quarters and set forth their position views. One of these ardent missionaries visited the Wisconsin rooms this morning and prefaced his argument with a eulogium on Washburne, which was applauded vociferously, but when he came to that part of the argument which assumed that Washburne's cause was hopeless, and that, therefore, Sherman was the man, the Wisconsin gentlemen peremptorily ordered the Ohio orator out of their quarters. Of such stuff is the coalition against Grant made.

The pulling and hauling at Southern delegates by rural statesmen from Michigan, Iowa, Ohio, and other States is having a reactionary effect. Judge Lochrane, ex-Chief-Justice of Georgia, said to-night that he had good authority for believing that six delegates in his State delegation, not heretofore counted in the Grant list, would be found with that side on the first ballot in the Convention, principally because the methods of the anti-Grant men filled them with distrust and a fear that such men could not lead the party to victory.

The composition of the Executive Committee is a curious phase of this contest. The anti-Grant majority is made up by the Territories—each one of which has as potent a voice as the largest State—together with Chaffee, of Colorado; Root, of Illinois; Fulton, of Maryland, and others who have been utterly repudiated in the recent conventions of their respective States, which chose Grant delegates to the National Convention.

No matter what may be the result of the Convention, it is certain that the friends of Gen. Grant have done what nothing but a consciousness of strength could account for. They have allowed the combination against Grant, which includes all the other candidates, possible and impossible, working together as one man, to insist upon and take all manner of small advantages. The Anti-Grant Holy Alliance must admit that it has been given most generous odds in details. The success of Grant with the arrangements made will test and vindicate his strength as nothing else could have done. With a clear majority over all, the only possible question is whether his supporters can stand firm against the unheard-of brag and turbulence of the shouters of all his rivals, and against the approaches of other kinds not so easily to be believed or described.

Crowds follow the crowds that have already arrived here, and to-night no man can number the thousands who throng about the hotels and in the streets near the leading hotels. In the Palmer House the passageways are choked up with men going and coming, and the electric lights in the rotunda shine upon a dense, struggling mass of men, who listen to speeches, alternately for Grant and Blaine. Several collisions have occurred, but the Police have managed to suppress them quietly. The main staircase has been closed by a rough board partition, and is decorated with flags festooned about a large portrait of Grant. The stream of people visiting the head-quarters of the Western States are obliged to file slowly up and down a staircase about seven feet in width. To-night, manager Palmer has added to the many Grant decorations a large portrait of Grant on horseback, and a brilliant legend in gas jets, which shines forth behind the clerk's desk, in the words: "Let us Have Peace." During the evening the street before the hotel was ablaze with red fire and Roman candles. When a great body of veterans passed by on their return from a meeting for Grant, the anti-third-term men raised a transparency immediately opposite, with the inscription upon it, "Nominate Grant and Lose the Election." It commands little approval, the third term howl having expended its force. The crowds at the Grand Pacific are larger than at the Palmer, for the reason that there is more room in the rotunda for accommodating idlers. New-York has no hotels that could begin to harbor such crowds, and it is well that such is the case. The din and confusion is indescribable, and unpleasant to guests who are not here on political business. Strangely enough, many ladies frequent the hotels and walk with their escorts through the crowds as if impelled by curiosity to see what sort of men these delegates are. Men who are not delegates, as well as the delegates themselves, are inquiring anxiously for tickets, and obtain no sort of satisfaction. No one can tell when or where the tickets are to be obtained. There are seats in the Convention hall for less than 10,000 persons. One would guess that not less than 50,000 people expected to find the best places to-morrow, and that the safety of the nation depended upon their succeeding.

SENATOR EDMUNDS'S POSITION.

HE DOES NOT WANT THE NOMINATION, AND PREFERS GRANT TO ANY OTHER CANDIDATE.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Rumors in relation to the position and intentions of Senator Edmunds have been very numerous to-day, and the supporters of Blaine have endeavored to use them as means for the conversion of some of the wavering New-England delegates. It was said that the Senator had written several letters, in which he positively declined to be a candidate, and requested all his friends to cast their votes for ex-President Grant. One of these letters was said to have been addressed to the Massachusetts delegation, and another to the delegation from Vermont, while a third was said to have an abiding place at the Wisconsin head-quarters. Several persons were found who asserted that they had seen at least one of these letters, and others declared that some of their intimate friends had seen them. Nowhere were these assertions so positively made as at the Connecticut head-quarters, by Blaine men, who covet the nine votes which will probably be cast for Edmunds in that delegation. Considerable time was devoted to a pursuit of these rumors, and it was discovered that they were groundless, if the assertions of eminent gentlemen are to be considered trustworthy. Senator Hoar, the intimate friend of Senator Edmunds, and the Chairman of the delegation in which his main strength lies, declared, in the most positive terms, that Senator Edmunds had not declined to be a candidate, and had not expressed any opinion in correspondence either for or against any candidate. From ex-Gov. Smith, of the Vermont delegation, a clear account of the whole matter was obtained. It appears that the Senator has addressed no letter to a delegation, but that he has written to ex-Gov. Smith and Senator Hoar. In these letters, which were not intended for publication, Senator Edmunds says that he does not want the nomination. He add that sometimes personal preferences of this sort ought to yield to public demands; but he feels to discover any such demand upon him in the present case. He urges his friends to preserve harmony and unite upon some candidate who will call out the full Republican vote and will carry the States which may be regarded as in doubt. This is the substance of the correspondence which has been so wildly misrepresented here to-day. Senator Hoar had his letter in his pocket when on the train which brought him to this city. Taking it out, he displayed it, unopened, to a friend, and spoke as reported: "This is Senator Edmunds's last will and testament." The friend inferred that the letter contained the Senator's withdrawal. In relation to Senator Edmunds's alleged request that his friends should vote for ex-President Grant, it can be said that his willingness and desire to support the distinguished ex-President are well known. The two men are on the most friendly terms, and the Senator has frequently expressed his preference for Grant as a candidate.

THE VETERANS FOR GRANT.

THE VERY SMALL NUMBER OF BLAINE MEN AT THE SOLDIERS' CONVENTION.

CHICAGO, June 1.—The National Convention of the Soldiers to-day, in Haverly's Theatre, was a most enthusiastic and successful meeting, at which the strength of Gen. Grant among the veterans of the late war was unmistakably demonstrated. The auditorium was handsomely decorated. After the veterans had been admitted, the galleries were thrown open to all who wished to come in. Gen. Woodford was an admirable presiding officer, and the references in his opening speech to Gen. Grant were greeted with prolonged applause. The Committee on Resolutions, through its Chairman, Gen. Beaver, of Pennsylvania, reported a series of resolutions, one of which declared Gen. Grant to be the choice of the veterans for the Presidency, and pledged them all heartily to support the nominee of the Convention, whoever he might be. Upon these resolutions the greatest freedom of discussion was allowed. They were opposed by Mr. Boutelle, of Maine, and Congressman Burrows, of Michigan, and warmly supported by Corporal Tanner, who walks with two wooden legs; Gen. Bussey, of New-Orleans; Gen. Woodford, Gen. Beaver, and others. The Blaine men did their best, but the sentiment of the convention was overwhelmingly against them. Motions to table and to recommit were lost, and then the resolutions were adopted by a majority ten to one.

The Blaine men demanded a division, and Gen. Woodford at once ordered one. The friends of Grant went to one side of the house, and left on the other side only a beggarly handful. Then a Blaine man in the galleries complained because the galleries had not been asked to vote. Gen. Woodford at once asked for a vote in the galleries, and directed a division. With very few exceptions, the spectators crowded upon one side, leaving on the other a ridiculously small number. So overwhelming was the majority, that the proprietor of the hall anxiously begged that the Chairman should direct the spectators to seek their seats again, because he feared that such a heavy weight on one side would break down the gallery. The meeting was open to all, and was, therefore, a trustworthy representation of the sentiment of the soldiers and their friends. If any one here has been in doubt in relation to the feelings of the veterans toward Gen. Grant's candidacy, he can be so no longer.

ESTIMATES BY STATES.

ANOTHER CANVASS OF THE DELEGATIONS—GRANT'S STRENGTH UNDIMINISHED.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Very many of the State delegations held meetings to-day, appointed their officers, and in some cases made a careful estimate of their vote.

THE SOUTHERN STATES.

There continues to be the liveliest discussion in regard to the Southern States, and for not altogether honest purposes. Many of the delegates from them are very reticent in regard to the position which they will take when the time comes to vote for President. As they stand to-night, the following is the most accurate estimate of them which can be made:

Alabama.—This State will vote as a unit in favor of the Grant report from the Committee on Credentials. The seats of 2 of the 20 delegates are contested, but it is more than probable that all of the 20 will vote on the first ballot for Grant. Marshall Turner was to-day made Chairman of the delegation.

Arkansas.—This State continues faithful to Grant. It will cast 12 votes for him. Ex-Senator Dorsey is Chairman of the delegation, and member of the National Committee.

Florida.—This State will cast, as instructed, 8 votes for U. S. Grant. There was a preliminary meeting of the delegates to-night, but officers will not be agreed upon until to-morrow morning.

Kentucky.—The 24 votes of Kentucky are now assured to Grant. The four gentlemen who talked of bolting seem to have come to their senses.

Louisiana.—It is now decided that Louisiana will not vote on the preliminary organization. The vote of the State on President cannot be known until after the report of the Committee on Credentials.

Maryland.—A caucus of the Maryland delegation was held to-day, and James A. Gary, who ran for Governor in the last election, was made Chairman of the delegation and member of the National Committee. A poll of the delegation resulted in 10 votes for Grant, 4 for Blaine, and 2 for Sherman.

Mississippi.—The Mississippi delegation, according to a vote taken to-day, stands six for Grant, six for Sherman, and four for Blaine. Of the latter, Grant may get two on the first ballot.

South Carolina.—How this State stands it is not possible to say, but of the 20 votes to which it is entitled 14 can, under all circumstances, be counted for Grant. At a meeting to-day, ex-Congressman Mackey was made Chairman, and Sam Lee its National Committee member.

North Carolina.—This State promises to cast 8 votes for Grant and 12 for Sherman. At a meeting to-day, Col. T. B. Keogh, because of his friendship for Grant, was deposed from his seat in the National Committee, of which he is Secretary.

Tennessee.—No vote has been taken in the Tennessee delegation, but it is likely to give 19 out of 24 votes to Grant.

Texas.—The Texas delegation met to-day, and it was discovered that 10 out of the 16 delegates are for Grant. The others must vote for him under the unit rule.

Virginia.—The delegates from this State will give 18 votes to Grant in any event, and 22 if the unit rule is sustained. They are under the most positive instructions.

West Virginia.—The representatives from this State held a meeting to-day, and though no formal vote was taken, it was ascertained that they are all likely to vote for Grant on the first ballot.

THE NEW-ENGLAND STATES.

There was very little change in the opinions and intentions of the delegates from the New-England States to-day. It cannot be ascertained that the little handful of original Grant men have gained any converts. The original supporters of Edmunds and Blaine show no signs of wavering, although some of the advocates of the Maine Senator begin to admit the possibility of his defeat, which is more than they would do two days ago. A little excitement was produced by a misrepresentation of the contents of cetain letters from Senator Edmunds, and a description of this incident is given elsewhere. The condition of the delegations may be summarized as follows:

Maine.—The 14 delegates from this State are for Blaine and refuse to admit the possibility of a second choice. They are all opposed to the enforcement of the unit rule and in favor of the admission of delegates elected by districts. They have selected Eugene Hale as their representative in the National Committee.

New-Hampshire.—The 10 delegates from New-Hampshire sympathize in all respects with those from Maine. They will be represented on the Convention's Committee on Credentials by William R. Chandler, who will continue to represent the State in the National Committee, and who will oppose the unit rule and favor the admission of district delegates.

Vermont.—The 10 delegates of Vermont remain steadfast in their support of Edmunds, and declare that they do not believe either Grant or Blaine will be nominated. Upon their defeat they build their hopes of Edmunds's success. They are opposed to the unit rule and in favor of district representation.

Massachusetts.—Of the 26 delegates from this State, it has been said that at least 4 would vote for Grant on the first ballot, and that the number of Grant men might reach 6. As far as can be learned to-day, the number of Grant votes will not exceed 4, and may be only 3. The remainder are for Edmunds. As against Blaine, however, the delegates are said to be practically unanimous for Grant. At a meeting held to-day, Senator Hoar was chosen Chairman, John E. Sanford, Vice-Chairman, and Henry Cabot Lodge, Secretary. Charles R. Codman will represent the delegation on the Committee on Credentials, J. M. Barker on the Committee on Resolutions, W. S. B. Hopkins on the Committee on Permanent Organization, and R. M. Morse, Jr., on the Committee on Rules. The following resolutions were unanimously passed:

Resolved, That this delegation recognizes the right of every delegate in a Republican convention freely to cast and have counted his individual vote therein according to his own sentiments, and, if he so decides, against any unit rule or any other instructions passed by a State convention.

Resolved, That this delegation recognizes the right of each Congressional district to be represented in a Republican National Convention by delegates elected by the Republicans of such district.

Rhode Island.—This State gives eight delegates to Blaine, and the delegates are angry with other New-England representatives who fail to come to the support of the Maine banner, in advocating the nomination of Edmunds. They assert that Edmunds cannot be nominated, and so to absurd extremes of buncombe eloquence in depicting the magnetism, popularity, and remarkable legislative career of their favorite. They have just arrived in the city, and will oppose the unit rule, and favor district representation.

Connecticut.—Three of the twelve delegates from this State—Fessenden, Bigelow, and Douglass—assert an unalterable determination to vote for Blaine until it is shown that he is out of the race. Until this afternoon the remaining

THE NEWS AT WASHINGTON

DISCUSSING THE GENERAL DEFICIENCY BILL.

A DEBATE ON BIMETALLISM INDULGED IN—ADOPTION OF A PROVISO FOR THE PAYMENT OF CONGRESSMEN'S SALARIES IN SILVER DOLLARS.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—The House to-day, after two hours had been wasted by Messrs. Reagan and Henderson in speeches on Inter-State commerce, and by Mr. Herr, of Michigan, in a political speech, proceeded to consider the General Deficiency bill. When 10 pages of the bill had been completed, an obstacle to further progress for the day was encountered in the clause appropriating $10,000 to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to provide storage for coin. The advocates of silver at once attacked the clause, imagining that the appropriation was intended to erect additional vaults for the storage of silver. It was explained that the amount was intended to repair and strengthen the vaults of the New-York Sub-Treasury. But this did not satisfy the silver men, who continued their assault until a general debate was precipitated upon bimetallism, in which Messrs. Ewing, Bland, Kelley, and Chittenden were the principal speakers. Mr. Chittenden made a vigorous attack upon the policy of continuing to coin silver dollars, and explained that he would vote against every proposition to procure additional storage for silver, for the reason that he believed in rigidly enforcing the Silver-dollar act, to the end that the folly of that act might be demonstrated to the country. He was convinced that the people did not want silver dollars, but in order to hasten the day of reckoning, which was surely approaching for those who were responsible for a depreciated silver coin, he was in favor of forcing the people to accept silver dollars, for the reason that such action would speedily secure the correction of the evil. Mr. Claflin, of Massachusetts, attempted to amend the clause by adding a proviso limiting the amount of silver dollars to be coined to 1,000,000 per month, but was ruled out of order. Mr. Bland offered a substitute for the clause, providing that the various sums named in the bill should be disbursed in silver dollars, and appropriating $10,000 for providing storage for the silver held to redeem silver certificates. Mr. Hayes, of Illinois, added a proviso to this substitute requiring the Secretary of the Treasury to pay members of Congress their monthly salaries in silver dollars, and this proviso was adopted. Pending the consideration of the Bland substitute, as amended, the Committee of the Whole rose, and the House adjourned.

CAUSE OF THE COLORED EXODUS.

THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE SHOWING THE HAPPY CONDITION OF THE COLORED RACE IN THE SOUTH.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—A majority report was submitted by the Exodus Committee, through Senator Vance, to-day. After speaking of the labors of the committee, the number of witnesses examined, and the character of the testimony, the report gives the following as the causes of the flight of the colored people from the Southern States:

That from North Carolina, (the state to which we first directed our attention,) we undoubtedly induced in a great degree by Northern politicians and by negro leaders in their employ and in the employ of railroad lines. Examining particularly into the condition of the colored men of that State, it was disclosed by the testimony of whites and blacks, Republicans and Democrats, that the causes of discontent among those people could not have arisen from any deprivation of their political rights or any hardship in their condition. A minute examination into their situation shows that the average rate of wages, according to the age and strength of the hand, for field labor was from $8 to $10 per month, including board and house to live in, and garden and truck patches around the house, fire-wood, and certain other privileges, all rent free. These, added to the extra-labor wages earned by hands could be earned during the season of gathering turpentine and resin or of picking cotton, made the general average of compensation for labor in that State quite equal to, if not better than, the average in any Northern State in which these people were going, to a climate in the climate of North Carolina, which was infinitely better adapted to them. The closest scrutiny could detect no outrage or violence inflicted upon their political rights in North Carolina for many years past. They all testified that they voted freely; that their votes were counted fairly; that no improper influence whatever was exerted over them, and that many were acquiring real estate, and were enjoying precisely the same privileges for education that the whites were enjoying. It was also proved by testimony, that there are societies and societies in the Cities of Washington, D. C.; Topeka, Kan.; Indianapolis, Ind., and elsewhere throughout the West, whose avowed object was to furnish all the colored men they could at the South, and, although the agents and members of these societies generally disclaimed that it was their intention to induce any colored men to leave their homes, but only to aid in taking care of them after they had arrived, yet it was established undeniably, not only that the effect of these societies and of the aid extended by them operated to cause the exodus originally, but that they stimulated it directly by publishing and distributing among the colored men circulars artfully designed and calculated to stir up discontent. Every single member, agent, friend, or sympathizer with these societies and their purposes were ascertained to belong to the Republican Party, and generally to be active members thereof. Some of the circulars contained the grossest misrepresentations of facts, and in almost all cases the immigrants were induced to leave their homes, government of clothing, of land, or money, or free transportation. I was also disclosed by the testimony of some very candid and intelligent witnesses that their object in promoting this exodus was purely political. It was thought it would tend to remove a sufficient number of blacks from the South, where their votes could not be made to tell, into close States in the North, and thus turn the scale in favor of the Republican Party.

The committee have ascertained that in many of the districts of the South the courts were under entire Republican control, Judges, Prosecuting Attorneys, Sheriffs, &c., all being Republican, and that there were generally as many complaints from districts thus controlled as there were from districts in which the control was under Democratic officers, and that the whole of the complaints, taken together, might be said to be such as are generally made by the ignorant, who fail to receive in courts what they think is justice. Your committee found no State or county in the South into which this investigation extended where colored persons were excluded from juries, either in theory or in practice. They found no county of district in the South where they were excluded, either in theory or practice, from their share in the management of county affairs and of the control of county government. On the contrary, wherever their votes were in a majority we found that the offices were most generally divided among the people, or among white people of their choice. Frequently we found the schools to be controlled by them, and especially that portion of the school fund which was allotted to their race, and the complaints which had been so often made of excessive punishment of the blacks by the courts, as compared with the whites, upon investigation proved to be either unfounded in fact, or if there was an apparent excess of punishment of a black man, the cause was ascertained to be in the nature of the crime with which he was charged, or in the attendant circumstances. The educational advantages in the South were found to be insufficient and far inferior to those of most of the Northern States, but such as they are, in every case the blacks have precisely the same advantages as the whites; the school fund is divided among them according to numbers; their schools exist so many months in the year, and, in short, the same facilities are afforded to the blacks that are afforded to the whites.

With regard to the political outrages which have formed the staple of complaint for many years against the people of the South, your committee diligently sought, and have to report that they found nothing, or almost nothing, new. Many old stories were revived or dwelt upon by zealous witnesses, but very few, indeed, ventured to say that any considerably violent or outrage had been exhibited towards the colored people of the South within the last few years, and still fewer of all those who testified on this subject, and who were evidently anxious to make the most of it, hesitated to anything as within their own knowledge. It was all hearsay, and nothing but hearsay with rare exceptions. * * We found upon investigation that, as a general rule, the landlord and tenant laws were urgently called for by the circumstances in which the South found itself after the war. The universal adoption of homestead and personal property exemption laws deprived poor men of credit, and the landlord class, for its own protection procured the passage of these laws, which gave them a lien upon the crop made by the tenant until his rents and his supplies furnished for the subsistence of the tenant and his family had been paid and discharged, with regard to alleged extortion by landlords and country merchants, who furnished supplies to laborers and tenants, the committee admit that they found it to be frequently the case that bad and dishonest men would take advantage of the ignorance or necessity of the negroes and obtain exorbitant prices; but, in justice to the planters of the South, they feel bound to assert, however, that this abuse is not at all general throughout the South.

On the whole, your committee express the positive opinion that the condition of the colored people of the South is not only as good as could have been expected, but that, if the colored people of some communities were transferred to a congenial and more tolerable climate, under laws administration with a different system of labor, among strangers who are not accustomed to look upon them as their inferiors, they would be happier, more contented, and their feelings. While a gradual migration, such as has taken place, would not be the white races, might benefit the individual black man and his family as it does those of the white race, we should but regard this wholesale attempt to transfer a people without means and without intelligence from the homes of their nativity in this manner as injurious to the people of the South, injurious to the people and the labor system of the State where they go, and, more than all, injurious to the last degree to the black people themselves. That there is much in their condition to be deplored in the South, no one will deny; that that condition is gradually and steadily improving in every respect is really true. That there have been clashings of the races in the South, socially and politically, is neither to be denied nor to be wondered at; but when we come to consider the method in which these people were freed, as the result of a bitter and desolating civil war, and that for purposes of party politics these incompetent, ignorant, landless, homeless people, without any qualifications of citizenship, without any of the ties of property or the obligations of education, were suddenly thrown into political power, and the effort was made not only to place them upon an equality with their late masters, but to absolutely place them in front and hold them there by legislation, by military violence, and by every other means that could possibly be resorted to—when we consider these things, no philosophical mind can behold their present condition and the present comparative state of peace and amity between the two races without wonder that their condition is as good as it is. No man can behold this extraordinary spectacle of two people attempting to reconcile themselves in spite of the interference of outsiders, and to live in harmony to promote each other's prosperity in spite of the bitter animosities which the sudden elevation of the one has engendered, without the liveliest hope that, if left to themselves, the condition of the former subject race will still more rapidly improve, and that the best results may be reasonably and fairly expected.

The foregoing report is signed by Senators Vance, Voorhees, and Pendleton. Senator Windom to-day gave notice that he would hereafter submit a dissenting report in behalf of the Republican minority.

THE FINANCES OF THE NATION.

THE PUBLIC DEBT DECREASED NEARLY $75,000,000 IN ELEVEN MONTHS—THE RECEIPTS.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—The decrease in the public debt for the month of May is nearly $16,000,000, and for the 11 months ending yesterday nearly $75,000,000. In July last, which was the first month of the current fiscal year, the debt was increased over $6,000,000, in consequence of payment made on account of the Pension Arrearage act, so that the excess of receipts over expenditures for the 11 months just closed is, in fact, about $81,000,000. In interest-bearing debt there is a reduction for May of $12,000,000. Of this reduction, nearly $8,000,000 is in 6 per cent. bonds, and over $4,000,000 in 5 per cent. bonds. The available balance in the Treasury, after deducting all outstanding current liabilities, is $150,538,790—an increase of nearly $7,000,000 compared with the same balance on May 1. The gold and bullion account, after deducting gold certificates outstanding, amount due for called bonds, and interest due and unpaid, is $106,853,861, against $110,464,554 on May 1—a loss of about $3,500,000. The net amount of silver dollars owned by the Treasury, deducting silver certificates outstanding, is $36,726,651—an increase for the month of about $3,000,000. The Treasurer's statement for the month shows that the actual number of silver dollars on hand is 42,778,190, an increase of 2,300,000 over May 1, which is about equal to the number of these coins issued from the Mints last month. The Treasurer also has on hand $6,332,731 in silver certificates, and the amount of these certificates outstanding is $12,374,270, which is over $300,000 in excess of the amount outstanding on May 1. Of fractional silver coin, the Treasurer has now on hand over $25,000,000, which is an increase of $1,000,000 for the month. The amount of United States and national bank notes on hand is $51,000,000, against which the outstanding liabilities are nearly $34,500,000. Compared with May 1, there is a net increase in this fund of about $2,500,000.

The internal revenue receipts for May were $15,027,254, against $11,227,378 for the corresponding month of last year, and from internal revenue, $13,063,776, against $15,341,991 for May, 1879. The falling off in internal revenue receipts for last month as compared with May, 1879, is due to the fact that the reduction in the tax on manufactured tobacco went into effect on May 1, 1879, and, in anticipation of the reduction, manufacturers withheld their stock and pushed it on the market after the reduction in tax became operative. The internal revenue receipts for May, 1878, were $12,295,794, and that month may be fairly taken for purposes of comparison with May, 1880. The large amount received from this source in May of each year is owing to the receipts from annual special taxes, which are made payable in that month. For the 11 months ending yesterday, the increase in Customs receipts over the corresponding 11 months of the preceding fiscal year is $44,930,782, and from internal revenue, $9,481,641, making an aggregate increase from these two sources in favor of the 11 months just ended of about $54,500,000.

The following is a recapitulation of the statement:

Interest-bearing Debt.

Bonds at 6 per cent	$442,001,900 00
Bonds at 5 per cent	498,848,700 00
Bonds at 4½ per cent	250,000,000 00
Bonds at 4 per cent	738,490,500 00
Refunding certificates	1,112,100 00
Navy pension fund	14,000,000 00
Principal	$1,735,448,400 00
Interest	18,904,187 41

Debt on which Interest has Ceased since Maturity.

Principal	$8,124,965 26
Interest	880,536 75

Debt Bearing no Interest.

Old demand and legal-tender notes	$346,742,046 00
Certificates of deposit	12,815,000 00
Fractional currency	15,539,934 37
Gold and silver certificates	20,274,270 00
Principal	$395,494,350 37
Unclaimed Pacific Railroad interest	7,177 03

Total Debt.

Principal	$2,139,267,715 63
Interest	19,784,724 19
Total	$2,159,000,439 82
Total cash in the Treasury	$306,613,516 97

Debt Less Cash in the Treasury.

June 1, 1880	$1,852,386,719 85
May 1, 1880	1,868,314,753 73
Decrease of debt during month	15,928,033 87
Decrease of debt since June 30, 1879	74,890,586 83

Current Liabilities.

Interest due and unpaid	$2,890,735 00
Debt on which interest has ceased	8,124,965 26
Interest thereon	880,536 75
Gold and silver certificates	20,274,270 00
United States notes held for redemption of certificates of deposit	12,815,000 00
Cash balance available	151,607,532 96
Total	$306,613,516 97

Available Assets.

Cash in the Treasury	$306,613,516 97
Bonds issued to the Pacific Railway Companies, interest payable in lawful money.	
Principal outstanding	$64,623,512 00
Interest accrued and not yet paid	1,615,587 80
Interest paid by the United States	48,651,155 94
Interest re-paid by Companies.	
By transportation service	$13,084,615 67
By cash payments, 5 per cent earnings	655,196 87
Balance of interest paid by the United States	34,911,141 40

The receipts from internal revenue to-day were $162,976 90, and from Customs $303,949 38.

The following is a statement of the coinage executed at the Mints during May:

Gold.	Pieces.	Value.
Double eagles	49,000	$980,000
Eagles	191,860	1,918,600
Half-eagles	307,109	1,535,545
Total	547,969	$4,437,645
Silver.		
Silver dollars	2,987,000	$2,987,000
Cents	3,418,000	34,000
Total coinage	6,954,969	$6,758,945

ARMY AND NAVY INTELLIGENCE.

DETAILS, CHANGES, AND LEAVES OF ABSENCE IN BOTH BRANCHES.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Boatswain Alexander McCone has been ordered to the Tennessee at New-York; Lieut. William Little has been detached from the training-ship Minnesota and granted three months' leave of absence; Past Assistant Surgeon A. P. Magruder, from the receiving-ship Passaic, on the reporting of his relief and ordered to continue on duty at the Washington Navy-yard; Boatswain Charles Miller, from the Tennessee and placed on waiting orders.

Leave of absence for one year, from June 1, 1880, on Surgeon's certificate of disability, has been granted Second Lieut. E. D. Boyle, Second Artillery. The leave granted Capt. Henry Carroll, Ninth Cavalry, has been extended five months, with permission to leave the Department of the Missouri. By direction of the President, First Lieut. Frank W. Hess, Third Artillery, is relieved from duty at Allegheny College, at Meadville, Penn., and will join his battery. Leave of absence for four months to take effect upon being relieved from his duties as Acting Assistant Quartermaster at the United States Military Academy by Capt. C. H. Hoyt, Assistant Quartermaster, is granted First Lieut. C. P. Miller, First Artillery.

Upon the mutual application of the officers concerned, the following changes in the Marine Corps have been authorized: First Lieut. C. F. Rico, from Company H to Company E; First Lieut. D. E. Taylor, from Company B to Company D; Lieut. Rico will proceed to join his proper company.

By direction of the Secretary of War, Capt. E. J. Strong, Assistant Quartermaster, relieved from duty in the Department of Arizona, and will report to New-York City. By direction of the Secretary of War, leave of absence for one year, on Surgeon's certificate of disability, is granted Capt. E. J. Strong, Assistant Quartermaster.

The following transfers in the Second Artillery are announced: First-Lieut. A. D. Schenck from Battery C to Battery E; First Lieut. Barnet Wagner, from Battery E to Battery C. Lieut. Schenck will proceed to join his battery without delay.

First Lieut. William S. Muse, United States Marine Corps, Washington, D. C., has been ordered to report to the Superintendent of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., for duty, on June 4.

Senators Booth, of California, and Vance, of North Carolina, have been appointed members of the Board of Visitors to the Naval Academy, in place of Senators Beck and Hamlin, excused.

A circular was issued by the Secretary of the Navy to-day, providing that hereafter no officer whose name is borne on the books of a disbursing officer of the Navy, and who shall be detached and ordered to duty at another station or at sea, will be paid as on duty by such disbursing officer for any time beyond the date of his detachment.

LORIENT, June 1.—The United States steamer Quinnebaug arrived at Auxerre yesterday.

ANNAPOLIS, June 1.—The Board of Visitors, Vice-Admiral Rowan, Chairman, were received at the Naval Academy to-day by Superintendent George R. Balch and the officers of the Institution. The Santee fired a salute of 17 guns, and the marine guard received the visitors with arms presented. The board inspected the naval brigade of Cadets, which made a fine appearance. The board then proceeded to inspect the buildings of the academy. A large number of spectators were present.

SANSKRIT FOR HARVARD.

PROF. CHARLES R. LANMAN MADE PROFESSOR OF THAT TONGUE.

BOSTON, June 1.—Harvard College has established a full and permanent Professorship of Sanskrit, and called thereto Prof. Charles R. Lanman, of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. The honor has been accepted. Prof. Lanman is a native of Norwich, Conn. He was graduated at Yale in 1871, took a postgraduate course at the same university for two years more, and spent three years at German universities, at Berlin, Tubingen, and Leipsig, giving particular attention to Sanskrit. In 1876 he became a Fellow of Yale, and a year later was chosen Assistant Professor at this tongue at Johns Hopkins University, the President of which, Dr. Daniel C. Gilman, is also a native of Norwich. Since that time he has written several papers, which have been read at various meetings of philological societies, and published a work on "Noun Inflections in the Vedas." He is also preparing a reader, to be used as a text-book. He sailed for Europe in the Egypt last Saturday to arrange for the plates with which to illustrate it. He will be absent for four months. Although Prof. Lanman has barely finished his thirtieth year, it is believed that Prof. Whitney, of Yale, whose health is greatly impaired, is his only equal among American scholars in this particular department of philology. It may be added that Harvard invited Prof. Whitney to take a Professorship of Sanskrit at Cambridge several years ago, but the request was courteously refused, the gentleman preferring to remain in New Haven. No other tender has been made until this one to Prof. Lanman.

COURT OF APPEALS.

DECISIONS HANDED DOWN YESTERDAY—PROCEEDINGS AND CALENDAR.

ALBANY, June 1.—In the Court of Appeals to-day the following decisions were handed down: McCormick vs. Horan; The People's Bank of New-York vs. Bogart, Stilwell vs. Swartout, Hamilton vs. Ino, Hall vs. Hall, Whitehead vs. Smith, Flanagan vs. Maddin, Hoffman vs. McDonnell, Vangelder vs. Vangelder, Bournye vs. Field, Walls vs. Randall, Van Santen vs. The Standard Oil Company, Sheridan vs. Fair, Sheridan vs. Linden, Jäger vs. Littlefield, Jones vs. Seligman, Herriman vs. The Merchants' Insurance Company, Cohen vs. Farthing, Heckman vs. Pinckney, Cone vs. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, Russ vs. The Troy and Boston Railroad Company, Hatfield vs. Lasher, Haswell vs. The Mayor, &c., of New-York, Godfilot vs. Hazard, Volkening vs. DeGraf, Ferrer vs. Pric, Clements vs. Yturria; judgment affirmed, with costs. Van Wyck vs. Brisbe; judgment affirmed, without costs. Jones vs. The People, Stratton vs. The People; judgment affirmed. Tathill vs. Morris, Van Brunt vs. Day, Hasewell vs. Boursen, Guggenheimer vs. Graisler, Neudecker vs. Kohlberg; judgment reversed and a new trial granted, costs to abide event. Dederer vs. Voorhis, Tallman vs. Voorhis; judgment reversed and demurrer overruled, with leave to defendants to withdraw demurrer and to answer on payment of costs. Corf vs. Marshall; judgment and order affirmed, with costs. In re Roberts's estate, &c. In re Brooklyn, Winfield and Newtown Railroad Company to acquire land, &c. Kelly vs. The New-York and Manhattan Beach Railroad Company. In re accounting of Reiser, Ryerson vs. Willis; order reversed, and case sent back to Hopkins vs. Olney, order of Special and General Term reversed and report of the Referee confirmed, with costs. In re Grube, Acker vs. Acker; order of the Special Term affirmed, with costs. Burr vs. The American Spiral Spring Butt Company, Bennett vs. the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company; order affirmed and judgment absolute for plaintiff on stipulation, with costs. Elgerty vs. Bush; order of General Term reversed and judgment on the report of the Referee affirmed, with costs. Tabor vs. Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Western Railroad Company, Crosby vs. Day, and Madan vs. Covert; order and judgment affirmed, with costs. Phoenix Insurance Company vs. Church; order of General Term of Common Pleas reversed, and order of Special Term of Marine Court affirmed, with costs. Fischer vs. Raab; order of General Term and Special Term reversed, with costs of appeal to this court to appellant. Field vs. Bland; order reversed and motion to vacate order of arrest granted, with costs. Mills vs. Hildreth; appeal dismissed, without costs. Vandebeck vs. Gelder, Sherman vs. Book, Fisher vs. Gould, Roe vs. Boyle; appeal dismissed, with costs. Taylor vs. The Mayor, &c., of New-York; motion granted and case ordered to be placed on the present calendar as a preferred cause for the next term. Jordan vs. Waterman; motion denied without costs. Jordan vs. Poillon; motion granted and remittitur amended so that the order of this court be simply one reversing that of the court below, without costs of motion. Schneider vs. Blank; motion for reargument denied, with $10 costs.

The proceedings were as follows: Deutke vs. The New-York and Rosendale Lime and Cement Company, Gruman vs. Smith; motions for reargument submitted. No. 492—In re Kings County Elevated Railroad Company; on motion put over to next motion day. Marcus T. Hun, Receiver, vs. John G. City; on motion, ordered on the preferred calendar. Andrew Hood et al., respondents, vs. Frederick Hood et al., appellants; motion to dismiss appeal; John J. Macklin, for motion, Thomas, opposed. Court took the papers. No. 516—In re Clark, to punish Reilly, Sheriff, for contempt; A. C. Thomas for motion, A. R. Dyett opposed. Court took the papers. The People ex rel. Andrew Zeiser, appellant, vs. Moses Kessel, respondent; motion to dismiss appeal; Samuel Hand for motion, John F. Hudson opposed. Court took the papers.

Appeals from orders were as follows: No. 478—William H. Catlin et al., appellants, vs. The Adirondack Company, respondents; argued by Marshall P. Stafford for appellants, and Foster for respondents. No. 479—William H. Catlin et al., appellants, vs. The Adirondack Company, respondents; argued by Marshall P. Stafford for appellants, and Foster for respondents. No. 485—William H. Robinson, respondent, vs. The National Bank of New-Berne, appellant; argued by A. R. Dyett for appellant and T. G. Cronin for respondent. No. 522—Griffith G. Williams, respondent, vs. John Thom et al., Trustees, appellants; argued by Nicholas E. Kernan for appellants, and A. C. Coxe for respondent. No. 500—In re Edward M. Townsend et al., appellants, vs. Isaac Nebenzahl et al., respondents. The People ex rel. Edward M. Townsend et al., appellants, vs. Abraham R. Lawrence, Justice, &c., respondent; argued by Thomas M. North for appellants and A. Blumenstiel for respondent. No. 527—The People, &c., ex rel. C. C. Egan, Executor, &c., respondents, vs. The Justices of the Marine Court of the City of New-York et al.; argued by Edward Jay for respondents, and C. C. Egan for respondents. No. 426—Phebe Robertson, appellant, vs. Westmore E. Robertson, respondent; argued by John Townshend for appellant, and John J. Burrill for respondent. No. 402—Bernard Sheridan, respondent, vs. Benjamin Andrews, impleaded, appellant; submitted. No. 513—James C. Rust, appellant, vs. Charles Hansell, impleaded, respondent; submitted for appellant, and argued by Lewis Saunders for respondent. No. 504—In re settlement of John W. Lewis to John A. Davenport; submitted by appellants, and argued by John Clinton Gray for respondent. No. 507—John C. Croker vs. John Roach, respondent, Isaac P. Duckworth, appellant; argued by H. F. Hatch for appellant, and George W. Van Slokelen for respondent. No. 510—In re George A. Robins to vacate an assessment; argued by Charles E. Miller for appellant, and Francis Lynde Stetson for respondent.

The following is the day calendar for Wednesday, June 2: Nos. 515, 216, 218, 219, 220, 222, 223, 224.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.

ALBANY, June 1.—The following bills have received the Governor's signature:

To provide for the taxation of life insurance companies.

To amend section 435 of the Civil Code.

To amend chapter 448 of the Civil Code.

In relation to Receivers of insolvent corporations.

To amend the act in relation to writs of error in behalf of the people in criminal cases.

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1.—At today's session of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of North America, the report of the Committees on National Reform and on Mission were presented and adopted.

GOSS IS BEATEN BY RYAN

A BRUTAL RING ENCOUNTER IN WEST VIRGINIA.

EIGHTY-FIVE ROUNDS FOUGHT IN A SECLUDED NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE PRESENCE OF THREE HUNDRED SPECTATORS—BOTH MEN BADLY HURT.

STEUBENVILLE, Ohio, June 1.—The prize fight for the heavy weight championship and $2,000 took place near Colliers, West Va., in a ravine 300 yards from the Pennsylvania boundary line. The fight caused much excitement in the surrounding country, but through lack of transportation facilities only about 300 persons were present, and most of those remained without shelter at Colliers. Both men were at the ring, which was pitched by daylight, by 6:30 o'clock. The weather was all that could be desired for the fight, the sun being obscured by light clouds. Little delay was made in the preliminaries, as a rumor prevailed that the sheriff and posse would be on hand at 7 o'clock, but they never came. Ryan jumped into the ring at 8:45, and a few minutes later Goss entered. They saluted each other cordially, Ryan going over to Goss with a "How do you, Joe?" to which Goss returned a warm shake of the hand. They immediately stripped, Ryan sporting a green silk handkerchief, and Goss a corded white one with a four-cornered star. Goss won the toss for corners, and selected the south-west. After slight dispute, owing to the refusal to serve of several who were mentioned, Schell Fairchild was selected as referee. Ryan was seconded by Johnny Roach, of New-York, and David Jones, of Pittsburg, and Goss by Arthur Chambers and a Pittsburg man. James Shannon and John Tracy officiated as umpires for Ryan and Goss respectively.

On time being called, at 6:15 o'clock, both men advanced, shook hands, and immediately began to feel each other. A smile played around Ryan's mouth, while Goss exhibited the utmost self-possession, and full five minutes elapsed before either struck out. Finally Goss got a left-hander, which was returned with interest, and Goss let himself fall to the ground. Goss in this, as in every subsequent round, played the drop tactics, owing, probably, to the fact that this was Ryan's first attempt, and he would forget the rules; and strike him when on his knees on the ground, but although there were several claims of foul by Goss's seconds, they were not allowed by the referee. The second, third, and fourth rounds were devoid of any special interest, each endeavoring to find weak spots. The fifth round ended in first blood being claimed, and allowed for Goss, a slight cut on Ryan's forehead indicating the result of Goss's blows. The next round Goss threw Ryan. The former after a slight interchange of blows would go down, which seemed to annoy Ryan. The seventh and eighth rounds were devoid of any hard knocks, but in the ninth round Ryan fell on Goss when the latter was dropping. In the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth rounds Ryan punished Goss severely, but Goss was doing terrible work on Ryan's face and breast, the left side of the former presenting a very discolored and swollen appearance. It was now Goss's turn to force fighting, and he delivered some terrible blows on Ryan's face and body from the thirteenth to the twenty-first round, and in the latter getting a number of body blows, and countering three times on the left jaw, at the same time continuing his dropping tactics. The twenty-second round was a continuation of former rounds, but in the twenty-third Ryan began to be animated with new life, and he forced fighting, and continued to give and take with various results to the twenty-eighth round, when Goss gave Ryan a fearful gash over the eye, following it up in the next round in the same spot, in the thirteenth round Goss got in a heavy body blow, and dropped without receiving a blow. Up to the thirty-third round little was done on either side, when Ryan began to force the fight again. The next four rounds were of short duration, merely an exchange of blows, Ryan and Goss's drapping. The thirty-eighth was a bad one for Ryan, he receiving some hard hits on his damaged face, which began to present a swollen appearance. The thirty-ninth, fortieth, and forty-first rounds were favorable to Ryan. In the following round Ryan confined himself to Goss's chest, and Goss dropped. A claim of foul was raised by Goss's friends, but it was not allowed. The next two rounds were lightly contested, Goss continuing to drop with very slight punishment. Goss hit hard on Ryan's face, and the latter struck out wildly. The exertion began to tell on Goss by the next two round, and he received some ugly blows. Goss rallied in the forty-seventh round, and got a terrible left-hander on Ryan's left eye; he repeated it in the next two rounds, adding one additional on the head. Goss received several heavy blows, and Ryan split his left ear in the fifty-first round. The next was very hotly contested, Goss getting the best of it. The fifty-third round began with both sparring carefully, Goss leading off and receiving some sharp blows in return. Goss went over to Ryan's corner and delivered a blow on Ryan's body. In the next round both hit wildly, and Goss fell. From the fifty-fourth to the fifty-eighth round Goss appeared to be growing weak, but rallied in the next round and forced the fighting. The sixty-first round found Ryan's lip going into Goss's corner and holding him while he belabored his head until Goss broke away and fell. The next was devoid of anything special, but the sixty-second was the best round of the fight, both men standing and receiving blows on the face, Goss undoubtedly hitting harder than Ryan. After the special exertion of the preceding round they took matters somewhat easier, to the sixty-sixth round, when Ryan began to force the fighting. In the succeeding two rounds Ryan fought Goss down. The sixty-ninth round was fought in Ryan's corner without much damage. Each man presented a terrible appearance, particularly Ryan, who was literally covered with blood. The seventieth and seventy-first rounds were fought fiercely by Goss, but it was evident that he was fast giving out, while Ryan was freshening up. In the next round Ryan aimed a vicious blow, but it missed its mark and he fell. In the seventy-third, seventy-fourth and seventy-fifth rounds Goss countered on Ryan's ear. They clinched and fell in Ryan's corner.

In the sixty-sixth round it became plainly evident that Ryan's youth was much to his advantage, whereas Goss, who did not exhibit as much punishment as Ryan, appeared to be blown and unable to catch his breath. In the following five rounds Goss went down easily before Ryan's punishment. In the eighty-first round Goss delivered a stinging left-hander, but he was thrown by Ryan. In the two following rounds Goss hit heavy, but it appeared to be a last desperate effort. In the eighty-fourth round Ryan struck Goss lightly on the face and Goss fell. The fighting in the eighty-fifth round was forced by both, and Goss dropped on his knees. A claim of foul was raised by Goss's seconds, but the claim was not allowed. When time was called for the next round, Goss's seconds would not allow him to toe the scratch, and the referee decided Ryan the winner. The actual time of the fight was one hour and twenty-seven minutes. It was the universal opinion of prize-fighters who were present that it was one of the hardest fought and bloodiest contests ever witnessed in this country.

A DISAPPEARANCE EXPLAINED.

FINDING THE BODY OF A MISSING LONG BRANCH BAKER—A CASE OF SUICIDE.

LONG BRANCH, June 1.—About two weeks ago William Miller, a baker and confectioner, of this place, left home, as he told his wife, for the purpose of collecting some bills due him near here. Not returning at night, his wife thinking he would be at home next day, did not feel much troubled about him, as his business frequently kept him from home for a greater or less time. After three or four days had elapsed, however, without his returning, she and her friends became alarmed, and inquiries were made all over the country, at places where it was at all probable he might have been, but without any clue being found. This morning, about 9 o'clock, at Asbury Park, as a man was passing through a small plete of woods a few hundred yards north-west of the Central Railroad Station, he discovered the body of a man hanging suspended by a leather strap from the branch of a tree. The body was in an advanced state of decomposition, the flesh dropping from the body. There appeared to be a bullet hole in the forehead which resembled pistol-bullet holes. Coroner Eugene Britton, of Long Branch, was summoned, and, having viewed the body, thought it might be that of Miller, but it being so decomposed he could not recognize it from the features. Taking a minute account of the clothing and other things found on the body, he came to Long Branch, and describing them to Miller's wife, she at once recognized them, and both she and the Coroner have no doubts of the body being that of her husband. The supposition is that, in a fit of melancholia, to which he was subject, he had taken his life. His health was poor at times, having all the symptoms of consumption, besides which, he had spoken to others of business being poor and having money to pay soon which he did not think he would be able to raise. Miller was a German, about 40 years old. He was formerly the baker for the Mansion House here, but two years ago he started for himself, and it was supposed he was doing a good business. He was sober and industrious, and respected by all. He leaves a wife and three children.

NOT MUCH OF A BOAT-RACE.

BOSTON, June 1.—A boat-race, three miles, for $250 a side, was announced to come off this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, between "Frenchy" Johnson, of Boston, and Wallace Ross, of St. John, New-Brunswick, and at that hour a large crowd lined the banks of the Charles River, facing the course. The water was rough early in the afternoon and the race was not called for an hour after the time set for starting. Johnson was first in position, and Ross, on being called upon, pulled up alongside, and asking Johnson if he was "ready," he replied in the affirmative, when Ross said, "Then I'm off," and, sculling a few strokes, he turned his boat and headed for the Boston shore, Johnson following. Ross continued to row, soon took the lead, and, when a mile and a half from the referee, gave the word "Go," when Johnson started off at a rapid pace, Ross meanwhile quiet in his boat, not appearing to have heard the word. The referee then motioned for Johnson to come back, but he, having got steadily pulled over the course, taking the matter very leisurely, and making the three miles in 32:15. Ross insisted that he did not hear the word, and remained all the time during Johnson's effort in his boat, awaiting the decision of the referee, which was that the race be called again to-morrow.

THE CUBANS AGAIN FIGHTING.

THE REPORT BROUGHT BY COL. BARNET FROM THE FORCE UNDER GEN. GARCIA.

Mr. Felutoro Gonzales, of the Cuban Revolutionary Committee, furnishes the following report made by Col. Barnet, who is one of the officers that accompanied Gen. Calixto Garcia to Cuba. Col. Barnet has just arrived in this City with dispatches from the General:

"On the night of April 5 last we reached the south-eastern coast of Cuba, and were ready to land, when one of the Spanish war steamers cruising about that place descried and moved upon us quietly and swiftly, we eluded the Spaniard, and shortly thereafter succeeded in landing safely at a point near Saint Jago. Every man and everything immediately set to work, and landed without any other mishap than the loss of a boat, which we were constrained to send adrift after landing during the small hours of the morning of the 5th. We made for the interior of the country, and on the afternoon of the same day reached Thrumpin, where the roll was called, and Gen. Garcia proceeded with all the officers of his command to organize a provisional Government. This Government was organized by prominent men of the most prominent political parties of Cuba as appears by the dispatches handed by me to your committee. On the 6th we again moved toward the mountains. After a few hours march, a strong force of Cubans, who heard of our landing through their scouts, joined us, and reported that throughout Eastern Cuba hundreds of patriots would be found ready to follow the leadership of Gen. Garcia for Cuban independence. Gen. Garcia then addressed the Cubans in Arms. * * * Early in the morning of the 8th we were in motion once more. As we marched on, our ranks were swelled by large numbers of sturdy but unarmed men, many of whom had seen service in our struggle with Spain. On the 9th, Gen. Garcia issued a second address to the Cuban people, assuring them of success in the struggle against Spain if they would only aid in the attempt to liberate Cuba. On the 11th I left the head-quarters of Gen. Garcia to come to New-York. In compliance with his orders, I started at once, and after overcoming some difficulties on my way, reached Jamaica safely. While on that island I heard that many arrests had taken place at Santiago de Cuba, and that quite a large number of men had escaped to join the forces of Gen. Garcia."

GENERAL RAILWAY NOTES.

ST. LOUIS, June 1.—In the case of the Southern Express Company against the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway, Judge Treat to-day, in the United States Circuit Court, made the following order: "That the defendant be enjoined and restrained, until the final determination of this cause, from preventing the plaintiff enjoying the same facilities in the conduct of its express business permitted to any other express company or exercised by the defendant itself, on payment by plaintiff of reasonable compensation, therefor." Argument on the merits of the case will be heard some time in July.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 1.—The Conductors' Convention selected Kansas City as the next place of meeting. The following officers were elected: President, W. Fenton, of Galveston; Vice-Presidents—W. J. Sullivan, of Cincinnati; G. P. Smith, of Kansas City, and C. H. Briggs, of Indianapolis; Non-resident Directors—T. J. Lassiter, of Norfolk; T. C. Jones, of Toledo; T. J. Nixon, of Richmond; John M. L. Blanton, of Nashville; Resident Directors—James Gordon, J. H. Wade, Thom

MISCELLANEOUS CITY NEWS

EX-CONFEDERATES TESTIFYING.

TALL WALKING TOWARD THE NORTH STAR TO ESCAPE THE YANKEES.

The Warren Court of Inquiry resumed its sessions in the barracks on Governor's Island yesterday. The full court was present, and the counsel and friends of the parties interested were on hand in full force. Several ladies were among the audience. It was rumored that Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, of the rebel army, would give some interesting testimony touching the relative proportion of fighting done by Gen. Sheridan's cavalry and Warren's infantry in capturing the breastworks on the White Oak road, and expectation was on tip-toe among the audience in consequence. The General—a frank, fine-looking soldier of the best Southern type, with clear blue eyes, bronze complexion, and long, flowing beard—crossed to Governor's Island on the 10:30 boat accompanied by Gen. Warren, Recorder Langdon, Major Asa Bird Gardner, counsel for Gen. Sheridan, and others. The Union officers greeted the ex-Confederate warmly, and on his arrival he was introduced severally to Gens. Hancock, Newton, and Augur, who welcomed him cordially.

In giving his testimony, Gen. Lee evinced a thorough acquaintance with the movements of the Confederate forces both before and after the battle of Five Forks, but, unfortunately, proved to have not been an eye-witness of the disputed fighting at White Oak road. He swore that at the time of the battle he was a Major-General in the Confederate service and commanded the cavalry corps of the Army of Northern Virginia on March 30, 1865. He was stationed at Hanover Court-house. In the belief that the Federal troops were about to try to obtain possession of the line of the South Side Railroad, Gen. Robert Lee had sent him to take command of three divisions of cavalry, to support the infantry under Gen. Pickett in an attack on the troops of Gen. Sheridan near Dinwiddie Court-house. This attack was made on the afternoon of the 31st of March, and Gen. Sheridan's troops were obliged to retire. The attack was to have been renewed on the following morning, but information reached Gen. Pickett of the approach of the Fifth Corps, and a movement back to Five Forks was ordered, the artillery and ambulances starting at exactly 12 o'clock that night. The infantry moved before daylight, and the cavalry at daybreak. At the beginning of the engagement of April 1, the witness formed the Confederate line at between 8 and 9 o'clock, and everything remained quiet until about 4 o'clock, when he was followed up by the Federal cavalry," added the witness, "but there was very little skirmishing, and our impression was that it was simply a force following our movements back to Five Forks, merely with the object of ascertaining us, and not for any special purpose. After remaining quiet from 4 till 12 o'clock, I left the line and rode down the direct road from Hatcher's Run to see Gen. Pickett, and found him on the other side of Hatcher's Run. I then rode back to the line of battle, which was where Gen. Rosser was covering our wagon train. I was engaged there when intelligence was again brought me of the attack of the Fifth Federal Corps on our left. I immediately mounted my horse, but before I could reach the road I met Gen. Hatcher, who told me that road was in the possession of the Federal infantry, and I was shot at as I attempted to cross. I went back and moved Gen. Rosser's command up and ordered him to form it across the road, but was unsuccessful in getting Pickett out of

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in this region, stationary barometer, stationary or falling, followed by rising, temperature, northerly, veering to easterly, winds, partly cloudy weather, and numerous rains.

The eve of to-day's Convention left the supporters of Gen. GRANT united and sanguine. Two hundred and ninety delegates appeared at the Grant caucus and joined in a pledge to support their candidate while any chance remained for his nomination. It is claimed that sixty others whose votes can be counted on for GRANT were not present at the meeting. The very modest statement of probabilities given by one of our correspondents credits GRANT with at least 330 votes on the first ballot. Firm as may be the cohesion of the anti-Grant elements on such a question as the enforcement of the unit rule, they are not likely to hold together long enough to make GRANT's defeat the foregone conclusion which the Blaine and Sherman managers profess to regard it. Many of the supporters of BLAINE prefer GRANT to SHERMAN; of the supporters of SHERMAN, there are few who would not rather have GRANT than BLAINE, while among the Edmunds and Washburne men there are several who will vote for GRANT after a complimentary vote for their own candidate. The total abrogation of the unit rule would only serve to reveal the unassailable strength of GRANT, and by so doing would rally to his support a large proportion of that floating vote which figures so prominently in this Convention.

Whatever may be the issue of the Chicago Convention, it is evident that it has furnished an occasion for the political suicide of some ambitious New-York politicians. He must be a simple-minded person who supposes that Messrs. WOODIN, ROBERTSON, and HUSTED have been deterred by overmastering scruples of conscience from voting as the State Convention dictated. They are not the kind of persons out of which martyrs are made, and all three have been remarkable for keeping their convictions well in hand when likely to interfere with their self-interest. Mr. HUSTED's inability to make up his mind about how he should vote is found to have been closely connected with his modest ambition to be nominated as the Vice-President on the Grant ticket, and Mr. WOODIN's sneaking fashion of eluding the pledge which he formally accepted was shown to have had some other motive than a regard for the wishes of his constituents. It is clear that patriots of this stripe form a very dubious acquisition to any cause. Their sense of their own claims goes so much beyond what any party can afford to recognize that, whether their treachery leave them on the winning or losing side, they will be equally left in the unpleasant position of men whom friends and enemies alike will be very glad to ignore.

The payments on the public debt during the month of May have been remarkably large, amounting, in round numbers, to $16,000,000, or, precisely, to $15,928,088 87. This statement shows a high degree of general zeal, especially so far as the reductions have been made from the receipts from internal revenue. The Customs receipts, which have been very large and are constantly tending to increase, bear a similar interpretation, though not to the same extent. There can be no more conclusive test of the amount of money in the community devoted to the purchase of the more expensive comforts and of luxuries than the sums received from taxation under our present system. In some respects the case thus proved is not healthy, being the result of extravagance rather than of increased prosperity. But on the whole, taken in connection with other evidence, the condition of the revenues may be regarded as encouraging. The general testimony of business men is that the activity in commercial affairs has lost much of its feverishness, and is now confined for the most part to legitimate fields.

The River and Harbor Appropriation bill was before the Senate yesterday, and on nearly every item acted upon the appropriations of the House were increased. The function of the "upper house," as a check upon haste and extravagance—a sort of brake on the impetuosity of the more popular body—is rapidly becoming a matter of tradition. There are few subjects that are not treated, on the whole, with greater care and in a more conservative spirit by the Representatives than by the Senators. Much of this undesirable change has been brought about by the increased value and extent of the patronage which is shared in by the Senate, and which has tended to attract energy and attention, to the exclusion of affairs of real importance. Men who are engaged in a heated scramble for offices in "executive session" cannot readily become disinterested statesmen when the doors are opened. One of the greatest benefits which would arise from a genuine civil service reform would be a restoration of the Senate to something like its former dignity and elevation.

The virtue of the Maine Democrats has succumbed once more to the blandishments of the Greenbackers, and fusion is perpetuated. There were indications that the hard-money wing of the party would prevail, and that a "straight-out" nomination for Governor would be made. But the two conventions assembled in Bangor yesterday, and the propinquity of Greenbacker and Democrat was too much for the latter. The Greenbackers, having nominated HARRIS M. PLAISTED on a wildly extreme platform of their own, adjourned. The Democrats had taken a recess meantime, and when they came together again they also nominated PLAISTED, and then ran away, as if ashamed of what they had done. They did not even tarry to formulate a platform or nominate Presidential Electors. The fusion is complete. Last year the Democrats nominated GARCELON, an alleged hard-money man of the boneless species, while the Greenbackers nominated SMITH. Both parties fused on the Legislative ticket. The result was a defeat of the Fusionists and GARCELON's attempt to steal the Legislature. This year both parties, warned by their reverses, cheerfully drop every semblance of principle and unite for plunder.

As was to have been anticipated, the Brooklyn Mayor, Democrat, and the Controller, Republican, have so far failed to agree in the choice of single heads of departments for that city under the recently-enacted law. It must be said for the Controller that the names presented by him, though those of Republicans exclusively, are worthy of general approval. Gen. JOURDAN, proposed as Chief of Police, is an ardent politician, but he is an able executive officer, and has performed the duties of his position with skill and energy. Mr. WILLIAM M. THOMAS, as head of the Department of Buildings, and Dr. CRANE, as head of the Department of Health, are entirely unexceptionable. The former is a man of wide experience and the highest reputation for integrity and business capacity, and the latter served with credit in the office to which he is now named. The objection to this class of men by the Mayor cannot be that they are Republicans, (indeed, he named Mr. THOMAS among his own selections,) but that they do not include any Republicans owned or run by Mr. MCLAUGHLIN.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

A rudimentary organism consisting chiefly of stomach can defy a thousand dangers to which the possessors of highly-developed nerves and brain are subject; so a political party which is held together merely to appropriate the spoils of office has no such crises in its history as a party which seeks to embody the intelligence and the conscience of a free people. Since the Republican Party first assumed an organized form it has never been brought face to face with the business of nominating its Presidential candidate without having to stake upon the results of that nomination not only its own future, but also much that is essential to the development of free institutions. The seventh National Convention of the Republican Party, whose sessions begin at Chicago to-day, is certainly not the least momentous of the memorable representative gatherings of the party during the last quarter of a century. Between the 1,300,000 Republicans who voted for the nominee of the Philadelphia Convention of 1856 and the 5,000,000 who will vote for the nominee of the Chicago Convention of 1880 there is at least this much in common, that in their keeping are the principles on which depend the stability and unity of the American Republic. The issues may be less simple and the party faith less fervid than they were twenty-four years ago. It is of the nature of party organization to harden into rigidity, and of party principles to become stereotyped, and the vitality of the Republican Party has suffered from both tendencies. But the party is as capable now as it was in its first campaign of expanding its aims with the growing knowledge, and elevating its methods with the clearer moral sense, of the people. It stands now as it has always done, the representative of all the most vigorous and progressive elements in the grandest system of reconciliation between liberty and order which the world has seen.

There could have been no such controversy as that which will culminate in the Convention to-day had the party been drilled into dull and passive obedience, had discipline crushed out all spontaneous action and independent thought. For, while adroit political managers may use for their own purposes the objections to a unit rule without caring a straw for either principle or precedent, these objections would not be the force which they are did they not find their origin in the ever-watchful Republican jealousy of any encroachment on the freedom of the individual. So, in a less degree, with the opposition to any man holding the Presidency for a third term. There is much in that to command respect, since those who sincerely dread the abrogation of what they regard as "unwritten law" do so in virtue of that sedulous concern for the maintenance of equal rights and reciprocal duties which are of the very essence of Republicanism. The Chicago Convention would be a less turbulent body if the party which it represents enjoyed less vigorous vitality; the struggle for its nomination would be a less bitter and protracted one were the conviction wanting that the nomination is equivalent to an election. It would be dangerous to predict in advance that the Convention will do the very wisest thing within its power, but it is perfectly safe to assume that its blunders will be due rather to an incapacity to clearly discern what is the right thing to do than from any perverse preference for the wrong. The party has outlived much of its aggressiveness, and fails to show the same boldness in dealing with new issues that it manifested in its earlier days, but it still rests on the fundamental assumption that truth is better than expediency and justice than success.

Perhaps the strongest reason that has been given for the nomination of Gen. GRANT is that he would represent better than any of his prominent rivals the distinctively national character of Republican doctrine and the breadth and comprehensiveness of the party's aims. His candidacy would be a pledge that the time had come to make an end of the antagonisms born of the war without sacrificing any of its results, that the party knows no sectionalism save what is inconsistent with equal rights, and recognizes no use of force not conferred by the Constitution and the laws. His candidacy would mean a repudiation of the arts of the demagogue and of the tricks of the political trimmer. In a campaign waged for his election some of the old party cries might be useless and some of the familiar flights of oratory out of place. But it would, at least, be a campaign of manly tactics and honest weapons. It would be such a struggle as leads the contestants to respect each other, and does not leave behind it the seeds of undying contempt and hatred. The Republican Party is ready for the new stage of development which such a nomination would bring with it; if its representatives at Chicago are not equally ready, it is either because they are not in thorough sympathy with the impulses of the party, or because in the effort to escape a minor danger they overlook a great and lasting gain.

COMPULSORY CURRENCY.

Now that the adjournment of Congress has been indefinitely postponed, the amateur legislators of that body should contrive a penal statute to enforce the circulation of silver dollars. Nothing short of this will ever satisfy the gentlemen who are in despair over the failure of silver to circulate. Of course, Congressmen must be exempt from this tyranny. Congressmen, as a rule, have a happy faculty for binding heavy burdens for other men's shoulders and escaping from all the labor of carrying any themselves. Members of Congress receive a salary of $416 per month. In silver this tidy sum would weigh about seven pounds and a half. Let us imagine Gen. EWING, or Mr. BLAND, or the Miltonic poet from Wyoming, Mr. DOWNEY, lugging home this burdensome amount of silver coin once a month. No Congressman, however enthusiastic he may be in his advocacy of unlimited silver coinage, has ever manifested the least desire to take his salary in this kind of currency. The dear people must be compelled to receive it. For example, the House has just attached to the Sundry Civil bill, which appropriates more than $20,000,000, a proviso commanding that all disbursements made under its authority shall be in standard silver dollars. The amateur legislators, doubtless, thought they had done a smart thing by their adoption of what may be called a compulsory law of circulation. To say that Congress may compel the people to take a species of money which they do not want is to say that Congress may legislate for a regulation of the laws of supply and demand. The amateur legislators insist that they know what the people want better than the people do. It is told of a frontier whisky-seller, whose primitive arrangements allowed but one sort of liquor at his bar, that a "tenderfoot" from the Eastern States drew near his fount and loftily inquired for a "sherry cobbler." The dealer looked at him with wrath and contempt, and, reaching under the bar for his revolver, presented it full in the face of his customer, with the remark, "Whisky is what you want, and whisky is what you'll get." But some people never do know what they want.

Congress should assume the attitude of the frontier caterer. The people timidly ask for gold, greenbacks, national bank notes, or silver certificates. Congress declares that what they really hanker after is silver in dollars. Singularly enough, this has never been followed up by a presentation of the pistol at the head of the citizen who prefers something else. Various compulsory devices have been resorted to; but in vain. The silver accumulates in the Treasury vaults until the authorities are at their wits' end to devise storage-room for it. Complaint is made that the Secretary of the Treasury does not make an earnest effort to put the silver dollars into circulation. Then, again, there are those who say that silver cannot get into general circulation as long as there is a law authorizing holders thereof to change them into certificates of deposit in sums of $20 or upward. At first blush this would seem to be an insuperable barrier to that general outflow of silver coin which the amateur legislators have so long and vainly desired to see. It is plain that an intelligent American citizen, of average muscular strength, and with ordinary carrying capacity as to trouser pockets, would sooner put five pieces of paper, worth twenty silver dollars each into his wallet than burden himself with one hundred silver dollars. Nevertheless, Congress keeps on the books a statute allowing the citizen to take paper certificates in lieu of silver coins, and yet finds fault with him because he does not prefer the metal to the paper. It is a perverse generation. Since Congress refuses to repeal the law giving the creditor of the Government option between silver and silver certificates, and men persist in choosing the latter and refusing the former, rigorous measures must be adopted. Otherwise, silver will not get into general circulation. No amount of resolutions and expression of Congressional opinion will legislate the silver dollars out of the Treasury vaults.

It is clear, therefore, that we must resort to compulsion. The people do not know what they want. The Government—as represented by the amateur legislators—does know. And, as a wise and strong parent takes his child by the nose and pours down his reluctant throat the unpalatable medicine that is bound to do him good, so a paternal Government should force upon its reluctant citizens the silver which they have thus far steadily refused to take. The laws of the United States may be enforced by the Army and Navy. Shall it be said that the Republic, having invented a beautiful silver dollar, receivable for public dues, is unable to compel its citizens to accept and circulate this coin? To be sure, the Government may be said to be inconsistent in forcing the silver dollar on the people while it allows them to change dollars for paper certificates. But Governments are not bound to be consistent. If the amateur legislators were to repeal the law authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to issue silver certificates and requiring him to keep the silver dollars on hand to redeem the certificates, the creditors of the Government would then be forced to take the silver dollars whether they liked it or not. But this would be consistent, and consistency is objectionable, if not impossible. It remains, therefore, that silver must be forced upon the people, at the point of the bayonet if need be. Gen. EWING, in his large and generous way, says that if the Treasury persists in its high-handed course of hoarding silver there will be a rebellion. We have heard something like this before. But there is a wide-spread belief that rebellion is played out. If Gen. EWING and the amateur legislators really want to test the temper of the people, let them compel them to take unexchangeable silver dollars for currency and go to market with a hand-cart.

A REFRESHING SUBJECT.

The state of mind of that little company of men who are preparing for Capt. HOWGATE's campaign against the North Pole, wherein it is proposed to capture that elusive object of geographical search by gradual approaches, is to be envied at this time of meteorological and political heat. With every Summer interest in the subject of Polar exploration revives. It is to the mind as iced drinks and cooling salads to the inner man. Geographical societies, with a fine appreciation for the seasonableness of topics, bring up anew the record of past attempts to overcome the frozen barrier that forever guards the mystery of the terminal facilities of the earth's axis. They take perspiring audiences among icebergs and Arctic storms, and divert them with a show of the clumsy antics of the walrus and the grim solitude of the Polar bear, while the aurora garnishes the scene with its fantastic lights through evenings that last for weeks. The sufferings and hardships of the dismal business of pole-hunting are forgotten in the sense of coolness which comes from a contemplation of a region of everlasting ice, where the midnight breezes blow

"From fields that slumber in eternal snow."

It is expected that the *Gulnare* will sail in a few days with the first colony that is to be planted within the Arctic Circle, to form a base of operations for the campaign against the North Pole. It will be the first planting ever done in that elevated latitude. The material for a house is to be taken along, to be put together on some eligible lot which is to be had rent free. This habitation is to be constructed with a view to resisting the ferocious winds and weather of those parts, and to securing as large a measure of comfort as the circumstances will admit of. A stock of provisions and supplies is also to be taken sufficient to last for two years. When this little colony has been placed it will be in for an experience the like of which no company of men ever before enjoyed or suffered, as the case may be; and regarded from this safe distance and in Summer weather, it appears to be not wholly without its attractions and advantages. It may, indeed, be conscientiously recommended to one's troublesome acquaintances as a thing well worth trying as a change from the humdrum mode of existence with which they and their friends are wearied.

Probably the crew and passengers of the *Gulnare* cannot secure themselves against a knowledge of the results of the fierce political conflict at Chicago up to the time of sailing, but they have a hope of departing in happy ignorance of the doings of the Democratic Convention. Then, in a few days they will be beyond the reach of daily newspapers, and for two years the rumors of oppression and deceit, of unsuccessful or successful war, can no longer disturb them. Once housed in their stanch domicile in the regions of ice, the colonists will live in a seclusion more impenetrable than that of dungeons or monasteries. The noise and contentions of the busy world will be shut out by a barrier so wide that not a sound of the hurly-burly will come to their ears. The conflict of the Presidential campaign will pass, but its excitement will not touch them, and the result will be unknown in their wild retreat. Policies may be adopted or abandoned, Administrations may rise and fall, and wars may once more change the boundaries on the map of Europe or of Asia, but they will take no note of the world's mutations during the period of their voluntary exile. There is even a possibility that some of the questions that vex mankind in this and other countries may be settled, the silver dollar made to circulate or to subside to its proper position in the monetary world, and EMSON's light fulfill the sanguine promise of its earliest flickerings.

And there are conceivable joys in the private housekeeping of the masculine party which is to brave the dread solitudes of the far North. There will be none of the small contentions that the presence of womankind begets and none of the vexations caused by ill-bred children. The servant-girl question will afford them no annoyance. They will have no troublesome neighbors, unless of the kind with whom a settlement may be made with deadly weapons without fear of unpleasant consequences. No inconsiderate dogs or vicious prowlers of the backyard will disturb their slumbers and cause a waste of portable property or of temper. Whatever peculiarities of weather they may have to contend with, they will, at least, be secure from sweltering heat and the unseemly sights and foul odors with which it is attended in the City streets.

"Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife," they can pursue the even tenor of their explorations and let the world wag as it will. As to those long excursions by sledge or boat whereby they are expected to feel their way toward the Pole, these are matters in which men of science will take a peculiar interest, while common people will take comfort in thinking of them so long as the heated season lasts. When Winter comes they will cease to be interesting, if they are not altogether forgotten for the time. But just at present it is refreshing to turn from the strife of politics and give our thoughts for a moment to the Howgate Expedition, and to wish it every success.

THE BICYCLE AND THE CANOE.

In accordance with the mysterious law of the Anglo-Saxon nature which forbids a man to indulge in any particular sport unless he can induce several other men to join him, the bicycle-riders have held a convention and organized a national club. The bicycle convention at Newport is to be followed later in the season by a canoe convention at Lake George, where a national canoe club is to be organized. The success of the Newport gathering ought to put the canoe men on their mettle and fill them with a determination to show that canoeing is at least as popular in this country as it is in England.

It is a national characteristic of the Englishman that he regards no athletic, open-air sport as worthy of the name unless it involves a good deal of danger and a fair amount of physical misery. These conditions are fully met by bicycling and canoeing, it being always remembered that the canoe of Christian nations has nothing whatever in common with the birch canoe of the North American heathen. In adopting these two peculiarly English sports we have accepted the dangers and miseries pertaining to each, and a rivalry in suffering is rapidly springing up between the bicyclists and the canoeists. At present these two classes of athletic martyrs are nearly equal in numbers, but whichever class can display the more imposing list of casualties or can achieve the greater amount of misery will gain the first place in the estimation of lovers of open-air sports.

Beyond any doubt, the bicycle breaks more bones than the canoe. The bicycle is cheaper, more enduring, and far more fascinating than the horse, but it is much more vicious. It is liable at any moment to throw its rider and to break him to a greater or less extent. Usually, its fiendish instincts are satisfied with the breakage of a nose or a finger, but it is very apt to break legs, heads, and even necks. The utmost skill cannot guard the bicyclist against this always threatening danger. In spite of the romance and adventures which a bicycle journey affords, cautious people prefer the safer and more prosaic horse. This is what Mr. TENNYSON meant to express when he remarked that for his part he had rather have—

—"Fifty years of Europe
Than a bicycle of Cathay,"—

using "Europe" and "Cathay" as the synonyms of prose and romance.

While the bicyclist can point with pride and a crippled finger to his broken nose, to his crutches, or to the sling in which he carries his broken arm, it must be confessed that the canoeist can only show a few blisters on his hands, and hint at the existence of others. Canoeing does not break bones, except in very rare instances. Of course, if, in running a rapid, the canoe strikes, and the canoeist jumps overboard on the wrong side, the canoe may throw herself against a leg with sufficient violence to scrape it to a most delightful extent, but the leg is in little danger of breakage. Among every hundred bicyclists it is estimated that during a given season there will be broken eleven fingers, two legs, and five arms, together with 8 per cent. of noses and ½ per cent. of necks. Among an equal number of canoeists there will be in all not more than seven abraded legs, and no broken bones whatever. Thus, in point of breakages, the bicyclists have a very large advantage over the canoeists. The canoeist, however, is liable to be drowned, and although only one-eighth of 1 per cent. of all English and American canoeists have yet been drowned, this possibility of drowning is something which the most boastful bicyclist must admit is beyond his reach.

But the moment we come to compare the misery of canoeing with the misery of bicycling, the superiority of the former is seen to be enormous. The bicyclist undergoes a few unimportant cramps, but with that exception he does not know what real misery is. While the canoeist cooks his own wretched meals and burns his unhappy fingers, the bicyclist stops at a comfortable hotel and eats what Western statesmen call a "square meal." During the day the canoeist is constantly getting wet, and subsequently baking himself in the sun, while the bicyclist is dry, and can, if he chooses, protect himself from the sun. At night, while the bicyclist is reveling in the loathsome luxury of a bed at the hotel, the canoeist is trying to sleep in his canoe, with a hard board for his bed, and the mosquitoes singing his lullaby. The average canoeist is rarely able to move his cramped legs on awaking in the morning, and has to drag himself out of his canoe with groans and execrations, but the bicyclist is called from a spring mattress rested and ready for a comfortable breakfast. There is probably no athletic sport in the world which can for a moment be compared with canoeing in the wide variety and bitter torture of the physical miseries which it entails, and all fair-minded bicyclists must, however reluctantly, admit that this is true. When we consider the greater dangers of bicycling and the supreme suffering of canoeing, we cannot readily decide which of the two is the more enticing sport. The man who has become addicted to one will probably insist upon regarding the other as inferior to it. When the public, however, sees the canoe regatta on Lake George, and notes the percentage of wet and cramped canoeists, there can be no doubt that the vast superiority of canoeing over bicycling will be enthusiastically recognized by the spectators.

It will be a surprise to a large number of our American women to be told that the white wax, of which they make such constant use when engaged in their household sewing, is the diseased secretion of a peculiar species of fly found in the eastern portions of Central China. Most of our country-women, if they have given a thought to the subject, have supposed that this white wax was some refined product of ordinary bees-wax—an article that has about it the conditions of cleanliness and healthfulness, which is more than can be said of exudations of insects due to some bodily malady. These flies apparently become diseased from feeding on the leaves of a particular kind of evergreen tree or shrub, of which they are exceedingly fond. The twigs of these trees in certain seasons of the year are thickly covered with flies, who, in time, leave upon them a thick incrustation of white matter. When this has increased to a sufficient size the branch is cut off and immersed in boiling water, which causes the wax to come to the surface in the shape of a viscid substance, which is skimmed off, cleansed, and afterward allowed to cool in pans. The trade in this article is quite an extensive one, as it is estimated that last year the crop was worth not less than $3,250,000.

The ground on which the inter-collegiate athletic games were contested on Saturday last was said to be too mellow. After making all due allowance on this head, however, it must be said that a comparison of the records then made with those made by contestants from the English universities a few weeks previously, is not so favorable to the Americans as might have been expected. WENDELL, of Harvard, won the 100-yard dash in 0:10 4-5, after winning a trial heat in 0:10 2-5; the Cambridge record was 0:10 1-5. The same record—5 feet 1¼ inches—was made by SOWER, of Harvard, in a standing high jump, and DERRIFORD, of Harvard, in a running high jump. The Cambridge representatives' record this year was 5 feet 2 inches, which makes our records seem bad enough, but in 1877, BROOKS, of Oxford, who measured 6 feet 1¼ inches in height, after clearing the bar, turned and walked under it without stooping. CUYLER, of Yale, won the one-mile run in 4:37 3-5, which was but one-fifth of a second slower than the best amateur record here. Oxford's record was 4:29 4-5. In the New-York Athletic Club games, on Monday last, MUTRIE, of the Manhattan Club, lowered the record at a mile to 4:29¼, but even that will have to be lowered some two seconds to equal English standards. THAYER, of the University of Pennsylvania, covered 20 feet 2 inches in a running broad jump, but the Oxford man cleared 20 feet 11¾ inches. On Monday last, however, VOORHEES, of the Brooklyn Club, beat them both with a record of 21 feet. WENDELL, of Harvard, won the one-quarter-mile run very prettily in 0:55 1-5, but he would have fared badly if he had been matched with the Cambridge man who made the same distance in 0:51 3-5.

HENRI ROCHEFORT is an extreme sensationalist. He is as uneasy as a lobster in boiling water when he cannot be the centre of some current notoriety. Ever since he has been obliged to stay in Geneva, awaiting a general amnesty from France embracing political offenders of his class, he has chafed like a caged hyena, and made every effort to keep himself before the public by writing what may be called rampant pronunciamentos to the very reddest of Red Republican journals. His latest screed is addressed to the Prefect of Police at Paris, whom he threatens with personal chastisement for the wounds received by his son during the late Communistic demonstration in that city. He assumes, absurdly enough, that the Prefect is directly and individually responsible for the injuries done the youth, and charges that the officer opposes the expected amnesty because he is afraid of punishment at the journalist's hands. This is the essence of braggadocio, and is unworthy of ROCHEFORT, who, as a man of courage, proved on more than one occasion, should not so lightly question the courage of others. Only bullies and poltroons are, as a rule, addicted to this; and he is not a poltroon, though it must be confessed that he sometimes plays the bully. He became a prominent political character while editor of *La Lanterne* in 1869, and he created such a commotion in Paris that since that time he has never been able to endure anything akin to tranquillity. No Frenchman of the day has led a more exciting life during the last 12 years. From the day he was banished from the *Figaro*, on account of the menaces of the imperial administration, he has fought duels, been fined, thrown into prison, been a fugitive, a transported convict, has escaped, has lectured in this City, and returned to Europe. He has lived in Geneva since, biding his time, as he would say, for revenge upon his enemies, who are everybody that fails to accept his views on all subjects. ROCHEFORT, a true irreconcilable, will be back in Paris ere long to resume his fierce agitations and air once more his colossal egotism. As he is but 50 years old, he can yet give the Government, whatever its form, no little trouble. He is a constitutional and incurable malcontent.

Great as has been the quantity of precious metals found in this country, it is thought by many persons who have closely studied the subject that their product has only begun. During the last 10 years we have advanced from $17,320,000 silver and $20,750,000 gold to $45,848,100 silver and $44,820,220 gold, and it is asserted that in the next decade this amount will be more than quadrupled. From 1870 to 1877 the yield of gold exceeded that of silver in the Republic; but since then the yield of silver has exceeded that of gold by nearly $5,000,000, caused in part by the discovery of the great silver mines at Leadville, Col., and in part by the decrease in the gold product of the Comstock lode in Nevada, which is 41 1-5 per cent. of the whole. The diminution in Comstock in 1878-9 was $12,464,431 in silver and gold, while the increase in Colorado of silver was $3,000,000. The exact yield of gold and silver in the last nine years is, as near as can be reckoned:

	Silver.	Gold.
1870	$17,320,000	$20,750,000
1871	19,256,000	24,309,000
1872	19,924,420	28,177,195
1873	22,468,309	29,208,583
1874	29,699,195	30,468,498
1875	31,628,329	29,968,194
1876	39,989,994	40,596,988
1877	45,848,100	44,820,220
1878	37,948,197	37,576,060
1879	37,088,857	31,470,289

In the United States, $4,000,000 gold is annually consumed in making jewelry and for other arts. Last year about $74,400,000 gold was imported into America, which, added to the home production, gives an increase of $100,170,289. If we add the $37,088,857 of silver yield, we have $143,258,119 of monetary increase to the nation's wealth. Prodigious as this increment seems, it is insignificant compared with the possibilities of the future. The large and sudden outpouring of Eastern capital into the trans-Mississippi region will cause an extraordinary development of the mineral wealth of the West.

AID FOR GEN. HATCH.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Owing to the disadvantages under which Gen. Hatch is laboring in pursuing Victorio's band of Apaches in New-Mexico, having lost his horses and been compelled to follow the Indians on foot, certain companies have been ordered from the Department of the Missouri to proceed to New-Mexico as far beyond Albuquerque as the cars go, where they will be met with orders from the commanding officer of the District of New-Mexico. The companies are to go in full strength, fully equipped for field service, with 30 days' rations from the time of taking the cars. The companies are as follows: Two companies of the Fourth Cavalry; Company H, Sixteenth Infantry; Company D, Sixteenth Infantry, and one full company from Fort Bayard. Gen. Hatch's command cannot be remounted until the appropriations for the next fiscal year becomes available.

HOW A JUDGE GAINED A HORSE.

From the New-Haven (Conn.) Palladium.

Judge H. B. Munson, of Seymour, was in the city a day or two ago looking for a watch-dog. His house is in the middle of a 10-acre lot, and his barn is some distance from his house. He wanted the dog for the protection of his premises at night. Some years ago he had a watch-dog which proved a very good investment. One night he was awakened by the barking of his dog. He went to the barn to learn what had caused the commotion. As he approached he saw a man disappear over the fence of the barn-yard into the meadow, and found his horse bridled, and found a strange horse saddled and bridled. The thief had evidently been prepared to start away with both horses when Judge Munson approached. As it was, he left the one he had brought, and, although it was advertised, nobody appeared to claim it, and it became the property of Judge Munson.

GENERAL NOTES.

Forgy & Berry is the name of a business firm in Dayton, Ohio.

Ex-Gov. Hartranft, of Pennsylvania, is to deliver the address before the Literary Society of Roanoke College, Virginia, on the 18th inst.

Mr. John W. Woltz, of Fredericksburg, has been nominated for Representative in Congress by the Republicans of the First District of Virginia.

A California journal denounces the newspapers of several rival towns for what it calls their continual howling for the establishment of impracticable business enterprises as commercially undesirable points.

The Boston *Herald* tells the story of an enthusiastic veteran, who, upon getting his pension papers entitling him to $1,600 arrears, remarked as he left the City Hall, "By George, if I could meet the dastardly rebel that shot me, I would treat him."

The June dividends payable in Boston aggregate $4,405,125. Of manufacturing companies, Boston increases from 3 to 4 per cent.; Cocheco, 4 to 5 per cent.; Langdon, 4 to 5 per cent., and Lowell, $20 to $30 per share. Lancaster decreases from 10 to 7½ per cent.

The San Francisco *Alta* finds it in its heart to commend the late California Democratic State Convention for this one thing—that it held out no olive branch to the Sand Lot. Nearly all of those who were prominent in its deliberations, it says, are well known as strong opponents of Kearney's party.

The late Michael Malone, of Lancaster, Penn., bequeathed $8,000 to Bishop Shanahan "for the erection of a cathedral," and $500 for masses for the repose of his soul; $5,000 for the ornaments of St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Lancaster; $3,000 for the liquidation of the debt of St. Anthony's Church, of the same city, and $3,000 to the school attached.

The Portland (Oregon) *Bee* asserts that a resident of that city, whose weight for 16 years averaged 286 pounds, has been falling away for the past year from no apparent cause, until now he weighs only 164 pounds. The *Bee* says that he appears to suffer no inconvenience from the loss of flesh, and "feels no pain, except perhaps a mortifying consciousness of the peculiar appearance of his general flabbiness."

Speaking of the arrest of John W. Hull, in Montreal, on the charge of swindling Mrs. Stone, of Philadelphia, out of $5,000, the Philadelphia *Ledger* of Monday says: "The Chief of Police telegraphed to the Montreal authorities to hold Hull until a lawyer, sent by Mrs. Stone, should arrive there, and it is probable that Hull will give up the money and will be released. The extradition treaty with Great Britain does not provide for a case of this kind, and he cannot be brought here for trial."

Three of the six men arrested at New-Orleans for firing the ship Iron Cross have confessed their guilt. Among them is the watchman of the vessel. The crime was committed for money, at the instigation of a man who buys and sells junk. From the statement made by the men, it appears that the attempt to fire the cotton was solely for the purpose of getting salvage, and not with any intention to burn the ship. Before the matter is settled, it is expected that some startling information will be gained respecting the recent numerous fires in cotton-laden ships at the port of New-Orleans.

The Bridgeport (Conn.) *Standard* relates the following: "A Bridgeport gentleman has been pasturing a horse a few miles out in the country, and yesterday went out after it. Seeing an old farmer coming to town with a load of hay, he offered him 50 cents to lead the horse down behind the load, but could make no bargain until it had been arranged that a blanket should be carefully spread over the hay so that the horse couldn't eat any of it on the way down." Naturally, the *Standard*'s assumption is that the farmer was "a mighty mean man." Possibly, however, he was an excessively honest one, and had already weighed and sold the load.

A Georgia paper, which wants Robert Toombs for Governor of the State, thus talks about him: "Toombs is a safe man; one in whom the great masses of Georgia can place implicit reliance; his heart is with them to the last extremity; he knows nothing but duty—duty to his State; duty to his fellow-countrymen; duty first, last, and forever—such a man is Robert Toombs. Grand in his isolation, grand in his consistency to principle, grand in his integrity, grand in his fidelity to his people and the Constitution of his fathers, grand in his denouncements of spoliations and wrongs done in the name of liberty. Such a man deserves the highest and last honor that Georgians can bestow; he has signified his willingness to serve his State as Governor if his people with one acclaim call him to the helm."

GRAIN TRADE OF BUFFALO.

From the Buffalo Commercial Advertiser, May 31.

As was generally anticipated, the movement of flour and grain to the East through Buffalo this year is very large; in fact, it has been heavier thus far than in any preceding season. The receipts of flour for May are 64,490 barrels in excess of those for the corresponding month in 1879, and 69,600 barrels for the season, or double the arrivals for last year. The grain movement is equally gratifying, the excess for the month standing at 3,172,697 bushels. For the season up to May 29 the receipts compare as follows: In 1880, 19,071,641 bushels; in 1879, 15,261,891. The exports by canal are also unusually large. The totals for all kinds of grain compare as follows: 1880, 11,588,680 bushels; 1879, 6,506,000 bushels, and 1878, 13,000,400 bushels. Although this is the largest movement ever reported in the same number of days, there was no unusual stir or excitement attending it, and freights have ruled at fairly remunerative rates and no more. When the grain shipments are considered in connection with the immense quantities of coarse freight

THE EVE OF THE CONTEST

ESTIMATES BY STATES.

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Chilton Robbins, member of the Committee on Credentials; C. H. Slinnickson, member of the Committee on Rules; William Walter Phelps, member of the Committee on Resolutions; J. M. Gospill, member of the Committee on Permanent Organization; Judson Kilpatrick, a Vice-President of the Convention, and George A. Halsey, member of the National Committee. It is expected that of the 18 delegates, a great majority will vote on the first ballot for Blaine. Joy is regarded as a Washburne man, and Condit may go with him, while Gospill is regarded as a supporter of Sherman. Vance is for Edmunds when Blaine is out of the way, and on says that two-thirds of the delegates will go with him in such a contingency. The remainder will vote for Sherman and Washburne.

Delaware.—The State of the Bayards is likely to cast six votes for Blaine.

CONFIDENT OF GRANT'S SUCCESS.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, June 1.—The movements of the Grant leaders about the Palmer House this evening gave rise to much query, and when Cameron, Conkling, Logan, and a large part of their followers assembled in one room at 10 o'clock to-night, curiosity was redoubled. It is now stated that the Grant managers are much more confident of securing a nomination on the first ballot, in fact are pretty well convinced they can secure it. If they should not and should fail to secure an increased vote on the second ballot, it is rumored that the Grant leaders have decided to throw the votes which they control—some 300 to 325—for Edmunds. The claim is made that this would nominate Edmunds as against any other candidate or combination. The meeting to-night is said to have this ultimate object, although the Grant men still keep a strong front, and claim that they have about 400 votes.

The caucus lasted until midnight. There were nearly 300 delegates in the room. John Wentworth presided. Senator Conkling made a powerful speech setting forth the reasons why they should stand solid for Grant and not be frightened by a parcel of boys, as he characterized the supporters of the opposing candidates. He said all they need do was to be firm, and Gen. Grant would be nominated. He then gave reasons why Gen. Grant should be nominated. He was the strongest man. The Germans of Wisconsin, Ohio, and New-York were eager to support him. He would carry five Southern States, and Conkling pledged that New-York State would give Grant 40,000 majority, even if Seymour were nominated and backed by all of Tilden's influence. Mr. Logan also made a speech, counseling firmness and stating that Grant would be nominated on the second, if not on the first, ballot.

CRIMINALS AND THEIR DEEDS.

PROCEEDINGS IN CASES OF CRIME—OFFENSES REPORTED YESTERDAY.

MONTREAL, June 1.—Mr. Walling, of Philadelphia, has arrived here to prosecute John W. Hull, in jail here, for defrauding Mrs. Stone, a boarding-house keeper, of $5,000, which she had obtained from an insurance company on the policy of her deceased husband. Hull got the money to invest, and then fled. All the money has been recovered here, but it is doubtful if Hull can be held.

Six sailors of the bark Apotogon have been arrested for refusing to work. The men claim that they were not properly fed.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Applications have been made to the Department of Justice to have nolle prosequies entered in the famous safe burglary cases in 1874, in which District Attorney Harrington and other prominent officers were indicted. Some of the complaining witnesses consent to ask for this, but, as all do not unite, the request will be refused.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., June 1.—Gov. Miller received a dispatch from Texarkana yesterday, advising him that a mob had attempted to take from jail and lynch a negro arrested for attempted rape. The friends of Cromwell, the prisoner, fired upon the mob. The fire was returned, and eight persons are reported to have been killed, some fatally. The prisoner had been previously removed to the jail at Washington, the sheriff apprehending danger.

NEW-ORLEANS, June 1.—In the case of Johnson and Akers, charged with firing cotton on the ship Iron Cross, bail was fixed at $10,000 each. Johnson's bail was being arranged when Special Officer Hermsey made affidavit before the Recorder, charging fired cotton with having been taken on the American ship Hectanooga on Jan. 31. Johnson was brought before the Recorder and remanded, without bail, until June 10, when the examination will take place. This action prevents Johnson's release until after his trial in the Iron Cross arson case.

GALVESTON, Texas, June 1.—A dispatch from Dallas to the *News* says: "A desperate attempt at robbery occurred near Clear Lake, Collins County. A farmer named Bradley left $200 received for cattle, which he gave his wife for safe-keeping, with orders on asking to stay at the house all night, was given a pallet on a gallery. At midnight he saw two men, whom he supposed belonged to the family, enter. On hearing cries of his wife he ran to the bedroom, threw the blinds and saw a woman on the bed with her throat cut. Snatching up a six-shooter, the stranger sprang toward the door and fired, killing both robbers. Mounting his horse, he rode to the nearest neighbors, and accompanied by a party of four, returned. Mrs. Bradley and both the robbers were dead, one of whom was shot through the heart, the other through the head. The robbers proved to be Mrs. Pruett and her daughter, the former 60 years old and the owner of a large property and having an independent inheritance of $17,000.

THE WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, June 2—1 A. M.—*For the Middle Atlantic States, stationary barometer, stationary or falling, followed by rising, temperature, northerly, veering to easterly, winds, partly cloudy weather, and numerous rains.*

For New-England, stationary or rising barometer, north to east winds, cloudy weather, with rain, followed by clearing weather, stationary or higher temperature.

For the South Atlantic States, stationary barometer, *stationary or lower temperature, south-west to* north-west winds, veering to northerly on the North Carolina coast, partly cloudy weather, with local rains.

For the East Gulf States, stationary barometer, stationary or lower temperature, southerly, veering to north to east winds, partly cloudy weather.

For the West Gulf States, stationary barometer, higher temperature, east to south winds on the coast, in the interior northerly, veering to easterly, winds, partly cloudy weather.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, stationary or falling barometer, northerly, veering to warmer easterly, winds, in the Ohio Valley, partly cloudy weather, and occasional rain.

For the Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys, falling barometer, warmer southerly winds, and partly cloudy weather.

For the upper lake region, falling barometer, warmer southerly winds, partly cloudy weather, and occasional local rain.

For the lower lake region, stationary or falling barometer, variable winds, mostly east to south, stationary or higher temperature, partly cloudy weather.

For the Pacific coast region, clear or partly cloudy weather.

The rivers will continue stationary or slowly falling.

Cautionary signals continue at Cape Lookout, Cape Hatteras, Kitty Hawk, Cape Henry, and Norfolk.

Cautionary off-shore signals continue at Chincoteague, Breakwater, and Cape May.

The following record shows the changes in the temperature for the past 24 hours, in comparison with the corresponding date of last year, as indicated by the thermometer at Hadnut's pharmacy:

	1879.	1880.		1879.	1880.
9 A. M.	74°	67°	3:30 P. M.	82°	69°
12 M.	78°	68°	6 P. M.	82°	69°
3 P. M.	79°	69°	9 P. M.	77°	62°
6 P. M.	80°	69°	12 P. M.	75°	59°
12 M.	80°	59°	12 P. M.	50°	59°

Average temperature yesterday.....70½°
Average temperature for same date last year.....80¾°

JOHN BROUGHAM'S CONDITION.

Mr. John Brougham's vitality astonishes his physicians and friends. It was said late last evening that he might even recover. On Monday Mr. Brougham lost the use of his lower limbs. This was first supposed to be due to an attack of paralysis, but, on Dr. Murray examining him, he ascertained that his inability to move his limbs had been caused by gout and excessive weakness. On Monday night Mr. Brougham rallied, but yesterday morning he showed no further signs of improvement. On the contrary, as noon approached he seemed to be sinking. At 12 o'clock he sustained a nervous attack. His limbs trembled, and the lower jaw first fell, and then the mouth closed spasmodically. For several days past he has had similar attacks regularly at early and late hours. This afternoon, after noon, he fell into a deep sleep, after which he rallied, and the spasms again appeared the latter part of the forenoon yesterday. Numerous friends called upon him during the day, almost than John T. Raymond. Miss Phillips, who has been attending to him with the tenderness of a mother, almost exhausted with watching, and was with difficulty able to speak. Late in the evening Mr. Brougham again rallied, spoke in a loud and cheerful tone of voice, and took some nourishment, and when Dr. Gillet called on him again and found the old pulse so much improved, he expressed a hope of his ultimate recovery.

WASHINGTON'S REMAINS.

EARLY ACTION OF CONGRESS RESPECTING THEM.

To the Editor of the Washington Star:

In your issue of May 15 "Veritas" says: "Neither Congress nor any other legislative body ever had, or now has, any jurisdiction over the remains of Washington." As all historical reminiscences relating to the Father of his Country carry with them an undying interest to Americans, the following from official records, which cannot be doubted nor gainsaid, may merit a place in your valuable columns, and tend to make the crooked paths of knowledge straight:

On Monday, Dec. 23, 1799, the following resolution passed in Senate: "That a marble monument be erected by the United States in the Capitol, at the City of Washington, and that the family of Gen. George Washington be requested to permit his body to be deposited under it; and that the monument be so designed as to commemorate the great events of his military and political life." And "That the President of the United States be requested to direct a copy of these resolutions to be transmitted to Mrs. Washington, assuring her of the profound respect Congress will ever bear to her person and character, of their condolence on the late afflicting dispensation of Providence, and entreating her assent to the interment of the remains of Gen. George Washington in the manner expressed in the first resolution."

On Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1799, these resolutions were concurred in by the House.

The following is the reply of Mrs. Washington to the President:

MOUNT VERNON, Dec. 31, 1799.

SIR: While I feel, with keenest anguish, the late dispensation of Divine Providence, I cannot be insensible to the mournful tributes of respect and veneration which are paid to the memory of my dear deceased husband; and, as his best services and most anxious wishes were always devoted to the welfare and happiness of his country, to know that they were truly appreciated and gratefully remembered affords no inconsiderable consolation. Taught by that great example which I have so long had before me never to oppose my private wishes to the public will, I must consent to the request made by Congress, which you have the goodness to transmit to me, and in doing this I need not, I cannot, say what a sacrifice of individual feeling I make to a sense of public duty. With grateful acknowledgments and unfeigned thanks for the personal respect and evidences of condolence expressed by Congress and yourself, I remain, very respectfully, Sir, your most obedient humble servant. MARTHA WASHINGTON.

The error alluded to by "Veritas"—"that the remains of the illustrious dead were removed from the old to the new tomb in 1832, 'by an act of Congress'"—may probably be explained by the following communications:

In the Senate, Thursday, Feb. 16, 1832, the Vice-President laid before that body the following correspondence:

ARLINGTON HOUSE, Tuesday night, Feb. 14, 1832.

GENTLEMEN: The letter you have done me the honor to write to me, requesting my consent to the removal of the remains of my venerable grandparents from their present resting-place to the Capitol, I have this moment received. I give my most hearty consent to the removal of the remains, after the manner requested, and congratulate the Government upon the approaching consummation of a great act of national gratitude.

I have the honor to be, with perfect respect, gentlemen, your most obedient servant,

GEORGE WASHINGTON P. CUSTIS.

To the Hon. J. C. CALHOUN, Vice-President, &c., and ANDREW STEVENSON, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MOUNT VERNON, Feb. 15, 1832.

To the Honorable the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives:

GENTLEMEN: I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and the resolutions of Congress to carry into complete effect that which was adopted in December, 1799, for the removal of the remains of Gen. Washington to the seat of government. I have received with profound sensibility the expression of the desire of Congress, representing the whole nation, to have the custody and care of my revered relatives, and the struggle which it has produced in my mind, between a sense of duty to the highest authorities of my country and private feelings, has been greatly embarrassing. But when I recollect that his will, in respect to the disposition of his remains, has been faithfully carried into full effect, and that they now repose in perfect tranquillity, surrounded by those of other endeared members of the family, I hope Congress will do justice to the motives which seem to me to require that I should not consent to their separation. I pray you, gentlemen, to communicate these sentiments and feelings to Congress, with the grateful acknowledgments of the whole of the relatives of my grand-uncle, for the distinguished honor which was intended to his memory, and to accept for yourselves assurances of my gratitude and esteem. JOHN A. WASHINGTON.

As the unsightly pile in South Washington has at the present late day, all the appearance of a monument raised to Congressional parsimony, one cannot help thinking that the last writer had an uncommon gift of second sight, far into the future, and desired to shield his illustrious dead relative from so huge a pile of disrespect. W. S. C.

WASHINGTON, May 22, 1880.

A PRETTY GERMAN CUSTOM.

From the London Telegraph.

A pretty May custom still obtains in the more primitive villages of Suabia, Bavaria, and the Tyrol, distant from the great railway routes, and comparatively untouched by the prosaic temper of contemporary German culture. On the first Sunday of the flowery month the unmarried girls of the hamlet, armed with leafy boughs, visit in procession the young wives who have been wed during the past year, and make formal inquiry, in certain set phrases hallowed by long custom, with respect to their health and happiness. Etiquette requires that each married woman thus distinguished should receive her maiden visitors at the outer door of her house, before which they take up their stand in double line. After thanking them for their kind inquiries, she passes slowly between their ranks, receiving from each in turn a light blow, inflicted with the green branches, as a mark of maidenly disapproval of her faithlessness to their virginal sisterhood. Having endured this gentle discipline, she is expected, according to her husband's means, either to make a pecuniary offering to the vestal band, and the total amount of this quaint May-day collection is expended by the village girls in an evening festivity, to which they invite the marriageable bachelors of the village. At this merry-making all the outlay for musicians and refreshments is defrayed by the youthful hostesses, who, however, reserve to themselves the privilege of "engaging partners." The whole picturesque ceremonial was performed the other day at Tunzdorf, near Papenburg, with strict fidelity to traditions that have been traced back to the Middle Ages, and probably owe their origin to an even earlier period of German history.

BLOODY DUEL IN LOWER CALIFORNIA.

From the San Diego (Cal.) Union, May 21.

Dr. Lozano, of the Mexican Army, and Surgeon-in-Chief for the Federal force in the Peninsula, who has been in San Diego for a few days, yesterday afternoon received by courier from San Rafael an urgent call to proceed without delay to that point, where Col. Banjel's troops are stationed. Two Captains of the line, between whom there has been ill-feeling for some time, yesterday morning at an early hour engaged in a duel with swords, and both are so badly wounded that the result is in doubt. The combat was continued with desperate determination for more than half an hour, and only ended when both men fell exhausted from loss of blood. Each officer has terrible cuts about the head and thrusts in the chest and limbs. It is stated that the duel was conducted strictly in accordance with the laws of the code, several officers, friends of the respective parties, being present besides the seconds. The courier did not state the names of the parties to the duel to any one but Dr. Lozano, who did not wish to communicate them.

OATHS ON THE BIBLE AND OTHERWISE.

From the New-Haven Palladium.

Among the books of the law library is a copy of the Douay version of the Bible, the story of the purchase of which is interesting. Some years ago, when there were many prosecutions of cases of Liquor law violation, under the Maine law, the late Judge Foster, then State Attorney, experienced great difficulty in securing convictions. He found that witnesses whom he expected to uphold the information testified either very weakly or wholly contradictory to what he had expected their evidence to be. He finally asked a witness whether he considered himself bound by an oath taken with his right hand raised, and the witness answered that he considered an oath taken on the Bible much more binding. Thereupon a copy of the Douay version was sent for, the witness reworn upon it, and a conviction resulted. The Judge holding court thought it unfair to make a distinction in the mode of swearing any class of witnesses, and the use of the Bible in binding witnesses to tell the truth was thereafter dispensed with.

AN ANECDOTE OF GRANT.

A soldier writing to the Indianapolis *Journal* incidentally narrates the following: "One day, while working a fatigue party on the canal, the 'slest soldier,' with John A. Rawlins, came down to see how we were progressing. Rawlins said: 'Gen. Grant, the rebels can see enough to surmise what we are wanting to do, and, as there is so much impatience in the North, would it not be well enough to allow some correspondent to say that, if the canal is not a military and naval success, the military efforts on the army will more than repay the labor bestowed?' The slest man pondered a little, and then, in these few words, would die by the sands from inaction.' Gen. Grant's reply I can never forget: 'Oh Rawlins, life is too brief to be followed even in making combinations.'"

AFFAIRS IN FOREIGN LANDS

THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE BERLIN TREATY.

THE PORTE PREPARING TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS OF THE POWERS—LIBERAL PROMISES TO BE MADE IN LIEU OF ACTION—PERSISTENT OPPOSITION TO THE EUROPEAN DEMANDS EXPECTED.

LONDON, June 1.—A Constantinople dispatch says: "The Turkish Cabinet has resolved to reply somewhat as follows to the summons, demanding the complete execution of the Treaty of Berlin, which it expects to receive soon from the powers: That the Porte has loyally executed its engagements in regard to the Montenegrin question, and has asked the powers to appoint a commission of inquiry thereon; that in regard to the Greek frontier question the conciliatory disposition of the Porte has been met by inordinate and inadmissible demands on the part of Greece, and that in regard to reforms for the European Provinces the Porte has drawn up regulations which will be submitted, according to the treaty, to the Eastern-Roumelian Commission. The correspondent adds: "The Porte may, perhaps, at first try the effect of conciliatory assurances and liberal promises, but if anything more is demanded the powers must expect to meet determined opposition, or, at least, dogged, passive persistence, which no amount of mere moral pressure can overcome."

A correspondent says: "It is probable that after Mr. Goschen, British Ambassador to Turkey, has informed himself of all the circumstances at Constantinople, he will attend the supplementary conference at Berlin, which will meet on June 15."

MATTERS IN FRANCE.

ROCHEFORT AND KOECHLIN TO FIGHT A DUEL—THE DEPUTIES AND THE ELECTIONS.

PARIS, June 1.—A duel has been arranged between M. Koechlin, brother-in-law of M. Andrieux, Prefect of Police, and M. Rochefort, growing out of the letter from the latter to the Prefect, which was published in the *Mot d'Ordre* last week. The duel will be fought on Thursday next. M. Rochefort's seconds, MM. Lockroy and Clemenceau, left Paris to-day. M. Koechlin's seconds will be MM. Chaufour and Dubrugeout.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day, a resolution was adopted, the object of which is to secure secrecy in voting.

M. Koechlin has gone to Geneva to fight M. Rochefort. The Police are making inquiry into the affair of young Rochefort. They examined eight witnesses, whose testimony mostly bears against the charges made by M. Rochefort.

LONDON, June 1.—A Paris dispatch says: "Two elections will be held on Sunday next, which are looked forward to with interest. At Brest, Mgr. Treppel is likely to be returned to the Chamber of Deputies. At the second ballot at Lyons a new candidate, M. Ballue, has been selected to oppose M. Blanqui, but the latter has still the chances in his favor, though his election will, of course, be annulled.

TOPICS OF INTEREST ABROAD.

LONDON, June 1.—A Calcutta dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company says: "Intelligence from Burmah states that the numbers of the insurgents are increasing, and the movement has now extended to Mandelay."

Mr. Strahan, the well-known London publisher, has sailed for the United States. It is understood that one of the objects of his journey is to ascertain whether American publishers are not willing to agree to some better compromise than any of the many which have been suggested in America relative to international copyright. It is hoped that at the next session a successful attempt will be made to settle this vexed question.

M. De Lesseps, in his speech before the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce yesterday, expressed himself as being very confident of the success of the Panama Canal enterprise. He said he proposed to offer to the British public £166,000 worth of shares of the stock, but did not care whether or not they were taken, as he could get plenty of funds; that he was not asking for money, but offering it. His speech was much applauded.

A Berlin correspondent says: "The report that Russia has enacted a protective Customs duty on imported raw iron has caused much feeling among the German protectionists. Several journals which themselves advocate a protectionist policy, as far as Germany is concerned, print editorial articles concluding as follows: 'It is, of course, difficult to exercise any influence on the decisions of the Russian Government, but it may be affirmed that our neighbors' trading hostility is a bad means of promoting universal peace.'"

CAPE TOWN, June 1.—Ex-Empress Eugénie arrived on May 28 at Itoyosi, Zulu-land, near the spot where the Prince Imperial was killed.

DUNKIRK, June 1.—A large fire occurred here yesterday in some warehouses containing flax and maize. The property destroyed was valued at 1,000,000 francs.

MADRID, June 1.—The Government has authorized its representative at Montevideo to sign a treaty of peace and friendship between Spain and the Republic of Paraguay.

LONDON, June 2.—A Vienna correspondent telegraphs: "It is said that China has given an important order for rifles here."

A Teheran correspondent reports that the Persian Government has refused to interfere in the Tekke question, or to accept the proffered allegiance of the Merv Turcomans.

ENGLISH GOVERNMENT NOTES.

LONDON, June 1.—The petition lodged against the election of Sir John J. Ennis, Liberal member of Parliament for Athlone, has been dismissed.

The British Foreign Office has lately had under consideration a proposal laid before it that England should co-operate in the proposed international Polar expedition, but no promise of support has been made by the Government.

A vigorous opposition will be offered in the House of Lords to the bill brought forward by the Government to permit the burial of Dissenters in all churchyards and cemeteries without the Church of England service. The rejection of the bill will be moved on its second reading.

The Radicals in the House of Commons, after presenting a memorial relative to Sir Bartle Frere, intend to await Premier Gladstone's reply before proceeding with Sir Wilfrid Lawson's motion relative to the recall of Sir Bartle Frere from the Governorship of the Cape of Good Hope.

LONDON, June 2.—The *Standard* says: "It is stated that Mr. Parnell intends to press to a division Mr. Lawson's motion in favor of the recall of Sir Bartle Frere, should Mr. Lawson not proceed with the motion."

A telegram from the Viceroy to the Indian Office states that there is no news of importance, except that a large gathering of natives, under Mohammed Jan, is in progress at Zurmat.

PRINCE BISMARCK'S ANXIETIES.

LONDON, June 1.—A Berlin dispatch says Prince Bismarck does not make his continuance in office dependent upon the passage of the Church bill.

LONDON, June 2.—A dispatch from Vienna says Mgr. Jacobini has been authorized by the Vatican to publish the entire correspondence with Prince Bismarck.

A Berlin correspondent reports that 10,000 citizens of Altona have joined in a protest to the Bundesrath against the proposed inclosure of the town in the Zollverein.

RUSSIA TRYING CONCILIATION.

LONDON, June 1.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company says: "The late Governor of Wilna has represented to the Government the advisability of abolishing special contributions levied on the landed property belonging to the Poles in nine western Provinces."

A dispatch from Berlin says: "Prince Gortschakoff arrived here to-day from St. Petersburg. He appears decrepit and almost unable to walk. He continues to be Chancellor only in name, not even being officially informed concerning the current business of the Russian Government. It is stated that the Czar continues his policy of conciliating the Poles, and intends to abolish the oppressive tax on landed proprietors."

LONDON, June 2.—A St. Petersburg dispatch says: "The *Novoe Vremea* says that toward the end of Summer there will be a trial of the persons implicated in the explosion at the Winter Palace. This will clear up the question of the arrest of Shevitch."

ITALY'S CABINET CRISIS.

LONDON, June 1.—A Rome dispatch says: "The usual practice of Parliament is that the Budget Committee shall be nominated in proportion to the number of members belonging to the Right and Left respectively. In flagrant opposition to this rule, out of the total 30 members on the committee, only five of the Right were named, and thereupon the five decided to refuse to serve." Another dispatch says: "The effort of Signor Farini, President of the Chamber of Deputies, to accomplish conciliation among the Left is apparently progressing successfully. This (Monday) afternoon a spirit of union and deference to Signor Farini's recommendations is manifest throughout the whole party of the Ministerialists and the Dissident Left."

ROME, June 1.—In the Chamber of Deputies four of the Constitutionalists who were elected members of the Budget Committee have refused to serve.

GOV. COLQUITT IN ATLANTA.

HE TALKS ABOUT THE CHARGES LATELY BROUGHT AGAINST HIM.

From the Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution, May 29.

The published correspondence yesterday morning, in which Gov. Colquitt replied to a number of leading citizens with a consent to address them at De Give's Opera-house last night, was received with great satisfaction. Gov. Colquitt was received with applause, and began an earnest and manly address, which lasted about one hour and a half. That the Governor was fully prepared to speak his mind freely, and fully, squarely and resolutely to meet every charge made against him as a man and as an officer, was clearly evident. His poise was one of confidence; his countenance betrayed no shadow of trepidation, and not a tremor of hesitation marred the flow of his words. The points of the speech were many, and covered every essential and popular charge with the Governor's enemies. He began by an allusion to the office he held as a public trust of great magnitude and honor and himself as a trusted agent. He denounced the idea that prevailed in the assaults made upon him, and which idea would make of him, not the trusted agent of a just and honorable people, but a servile dog. The men who made these assaults, instead of lending him the aid of their wisdom and sympathy, had sought to degrade their State by dragging down and defaming its chief magistrate. But while he deemed it delightful to have the good opinion of his fellow-men, there was yet a purer joy in the consciousness of having deserved that good opinion. That he did deserve it he knew full well. Like the persecuted Huguenot he could say: "I have done nothing to deserve death and nothing for which to ask pardon." In reply to the charge of absenting himself from his office from time to time, he had entertained the idea that a Governor should be something more than a State statistician; that he should mingle with the people, and face to face with them, learn their sentiments, their wants, and the measures calculated to advance their prosperity and happiness. Hence, he had gone among them to their fairs and conventions, and he believed he had done right. On the subject of going about to Sunday-schools, he pleaded guilty to the charge. He believed in Sunday-schools, in the religion that established them, and in the statesmanship that teaches that it is better to educate 40 young men to lives of virtue and religion, than train one boy for the gallows. He was charged, too, with attending "nigger meetings." For 30 years he had attended sabbath-schools and churches, and he did not believe that his being Governor made him too great to meet the humblest of his fellow-men at worship. No position was so high, and to which he might attain, that could make him forget his duty and responsibility to his God. That he had gone out of the State to the North was charged. He had gone to several cities of the North and told the people he met that with us there was peace; that the war was over; that we adhered to the Union, and that we gave a warm welcome to all who came among us. He had not misrepresented Georgia, and those people to whom he had spoken would witness whether his words had done good or harm. He knew they had done good. He explained his action in signing the Northeastern bonds and the subsequent vindication of that action. Also, that the assaults from which he was suffering were caused by the disappointments felt by men whose ambitions for office he could not gratify. He also referred to the financial results of his administration and showed how much more had been done than was expected, and without an increase of taxation. The Brown Senatorship was then referred to. He had used emphatic language about the charge of "bargain and sale" in this matter. The language was fully justified, for his good name, his birthright, had been attacked. He eulogized Gov. Brown as both capable and faithful, and declared that his appointment was one of the fittest for the event and the times. He had in mind that if the honest heart of Georgia could speak it would say it felt safer, should the rights and liberties of the people be in danger from national legislation, in having Joe Brown in the Senate to defend them. Besides, in the darkest days of his recent trials, when great men of the State were attempting to crush him, and all the elements of hate appeared allied against him, it was Gov. Brown who walked into his office, extended his hand and said: "Sir, I have come to offer you all the aid and sympathy I can!" It had given him great satisfaction to repay that debt of honor which he owed to one brave enough and kind enough to stand by him in that dreadful period. As to the coalition between himself and Gordon and Brown, he declared it completely by giving the facts that formed a complete refutation of every suggestion of collusion.

ANTIDOTES TO INGERSOLL.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I accuse Mr. Robert G. Ingersoll of being a first-class plagiarist. The two lectures recently delivered by him in New-York are made up of extracts from Gibbon's "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" and Paine's "Age of Reason." Mr. Ingersoll does not advance a single new theory nor an original idea, but repeats word for word from the works of the above-mentioned authors.

I notice that there are several well-meaning gentlemen who desire a public discussion with Mr. Ingersoll on the evidences of Christianity. Nothing could be gained from a debate of that kind, but let doubting Christians read Bishop Watson's answer to Gibbon in his work entitled "An Apology for Christianity," also Watson's reply to Paine entitled "An Apology for the Bible." I would further recommend Christians and Nihilists to read "Paley's View of the Evidences of Christianity," Jenyn's "Internal Evidence of Christianity," and Leslie's "Method with the Deists," and they will see how easily Ingersoll's blasphemous utterances are refuted. C. E. P.

RAHWAY, Monday, May 31, 1880.

THE DEAD CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.

From the Milwaukee Wisconsin, May 28.

The Greenback State Convention in session yesterday at Watertown, after selecting delegates to the Chicago Greenback-Labor Convention, and appointing Electors, passed a resolution nominating our fellow-citizen, Edward P. Allis, for President, and requested their delegates to present his name to the National Convention. Mr. Allis is a most worthy man, but we fear that he is too respectable to secure the nomination of the Greenback-Labor Party, as in all other things—saving his views on the currency—he is a very conservative. Mr. Allis is a little deaf, but perhaps this would be a good thing if he were President, as he could not hear the constant clang of the office-beggars. The great Jefferson appointed as Minister to France Robert Livingston, distinguished for all virtues and great abilities, but who was so deaf that he could not hear conversation at all, and had to be communicated with in writing. In one of his letters Jefferson alluded to this fact, and considered it no disqualification, because, as he remarked, an individual thus situated would not be likely to commit any mistakes of speech which would embarrass his Government. Livingston went to Paris, and he performed his duties wisely and well, and even so, if our personal friend, Mr. Allis, should be chosen President, he would—saving on the currency question—perform all the executive duties faithfully.

GOV. PERKINS TO THE SAND-LOTTERS.

From the San Francisco Alta, May 24.

The Working Men's Ward Presidents, yesterday, received the following communication from Gov. Perkins: "I am in receipt of your favor of the 14th inst., asking what steps have been taken by the State for an appeal to the United States Supreme Court in the case of The People against Parrott, involving the constitutionality of the act of the Legislature 'prohibiting the employment of Chinese by corporations.' In reply, I beg leave to say that the State has taken no action in the matter, for the reason that there is no appeal in a case of habeas corpus. Had it been an appealable case the Attorney-General would have immediately appealed from the United States Circuit Court to the Superior Court. I would readily and willingly comply with your request 'to proceed with the appeal,' were it in the proper mode of procedure."

THE WHEAT PROSPECT IN OREGON.

From the Portland Oregonian, May 19.

A gentleman who has traveled somewhat extensively through the Willamette Valley during the past two weeks reports that, in a residence of nearly 30 years in Oregon, he has never seen a more encouraging outlook for the wheat crop. In almost every locality visited the young plant appeared to be growing finely, being of excellent color and healthy. With a moderately favorable season for the next two months, a harvest of unusual abundance of the "staff of life" is assured. Similar reports reach us from the wheat-growing sections east of the Cascade Mountains, and there seems to be good ground for the estimate of a yield of at least 600,000 tons of wheat to find its way to the markets of the World. Fruits and vegetables are also said to promise well, and Oregon will still retain the ascellation of the land of Plenty.

GENERAL POLITICAL NEWS

THE FUSIONISTS IN MAINE.

THE GREENBACKERS NOMINATE HARRIS M. PLAISTED FOR GOVERNOR—THE DEMOCRATS RATIFY THIS ACTION.

BAGNOR, June 1.—The Greenback State Convention was called to order by E. H. Gove, who introduced as temporary Chairman, John B. Foster, of Bangor, who made a brief speech. The usual committees were appointed, and Mr. Fogg, of ex-Gov. Garcelon's Council made a short address. The Committee on Credentials reported 1,559 delegates present. Gen. Harris M. Plaisted, of this city, was nominated by acclamation for Governor. The resolutions in substance were as follows:

That all currency, whether metallic or paper, necessary for the use of the people, should be issued and controlled by the Government, and not by the banking corporations. That the interest-bearing debt of the United States which shall become redeemable in the year 1881 or prior thereto, should not be refunded beyond the power of the Government to call in said obligations and pay them at any time, but should be paid as rapidly as possible and according to contract. The mints of the Government should be operated to their full capacity in the coinage of standard silver dollars and such other coin as the business interest of the country demand. The civil service should be reformed so as to abolish the evils of patronage. Imprisonment for debt should be abolished.

The delegates to the Chicago Convention were instructed to work for the nomination of Solon Chase for President.

The following delegates to the Greenback National Convention at Chicago were elected: First District, James A. Strout, R. M. Springer; Second, J. H. Blood, J. B. Russell; Third, James Devine, Frederick O'Brien; Fourth, F. G. Parker, F. W. Folsom.

The Democratic State Convention was called to order by B. F. Torrey, of Bath, who nominated S. J. Anderson, of Portland, as Chairman. W. A. Joy, S. T. Parsher, Dana Goff, and Thomas F. Murphy were elected Secretaries. On taking the chair, Gen. Anderson said the present was one of the most critical periods in the history of the Democratic Party. He declared that if Gen. Grant should be elected to a third term, then a fourth and fifth term might be given him, for the great unwritten law that no President should have more than two terms would have been broken. At the close of Gen. Anderson's speech, 677 delegates were reported as present, and a recess was taken in order to allow the nomination of a State Committee and a Committee on Resolutions. As some wrangling here ensued, the convention adjourned to 3 o'clock. At the afternoon session the following delegates at large were elected to the Cincinnati Convention: Darius Alden, John R. Redman, Arthur Sewall, and Bion Bradbury; Alternates—Capt. Charles Chase, Bion Wilson, of Augusta; George W. Drisco, of Machias, and William A. Cromwell. The convention ratified the nomination of the Greenback State Convention for Governor, the Hon. Harris M. Plaisted, and appointed a committee to inform him of this action. Mr. Plaisted addressed the convention and was received with cheers. Previous to the nomination of Gen. Plaisted, the Committee on Resolutions submitted a majority and minority report. The minority report favored a local option liquor law. This created such excitement that the Speaker was unable to keep order. After arguing the matter pro and con, it was finally decided to lay it on the table until after the nomination of Plaisted. The convention voted to leave the election of Presidential Electors in the hands of the Democratic State Committee, which is to act in conference with the Greenback State Committee. The convention then adjourned sine die without adopting any resolutions whatever.

The Democrats of the Fourth District selected the following delegates to Cincinnati: Philo A. Strickland, of Bangor, and John B. Trafton, of Fort Fairfield.

THE BATTLE OF THE DEMAGOGUES.

THE BOLD-MAN-NOT-AFRAID-TO-BE-A-CANDIDATE DEFEATS THE OLD-MAN-NOT-AFRAID-TO-BE-CALLED-A-DEMAGOGUE ON HIS NATIVE HEATH.

SCRANTON, Penn., June 1.—While Congressman Hendrick B. Wright has been exercising his influence on behalf of civilization in the Sand Lots, his popularity among the "hardy sons of toil" who have often turned the tide of victory in his favor in the Twelfth Congressional District of Pennsylvannia has been waning sadly, and they have set up false gods during his absence. It is thought among his former adherents that the old-man-not-afraid-to-be-called-a-demagogue has permitted the snipping interests of the Susquehanna to go by default. They had fondly hoped that it would be navigable by this time from Nanticoke Dam to the "head waters," but instead of this there is hardly enough water in it to float a wash-tub, and Congress does not take kindly to the matter of making an appropriation for it. This, and other instances in which they claim the word of promise to the ear was broken to the hope, have cooled the ardor of Mr. Wright's followers, who only a short time ago were anxious to make him President of the United States.

The subject of their admiration just now is Benjamin F. Butler, the bold-man-not-afraid-to-be-a-candidate, and at a meeting of the County Committee just held here, Mayor Powderly, of this city, was elected delegate to the National Greenback Convention, which will meet in Chicago on June 9, with instructions to vote for Butler for President. Hendrick B. Wright's name was not mentioned at the meeting "save in the way of kindness," and Dilaye received only one vote. There is a growing feeling among Greenback men that Mr. Wright makes too much capital at Washington out of the 2,000 loaves which he distributes at Wilkesbarre every Fourth of July, and if he would retain his old-time popularity as a "war horse," he will be compelled to take to distributing ham-sandwiches, lager beer, and some equally stimulating articles of meat or drink. It is thought his bread is too stale, and his constituents have about as much regard for a stale loaf as for a Congressional pamphlet. The friends of Mr. Wright regret exceedingly that his popularity should be on the wane, and they regard the approaching adjournment of Congress with great pleasure, as they expect the return of the venerable statesman to his native heath on Shawnee will have the *effect of restoring confidence in him once more.* He cannot, however, undo the work of the Lackawanna Convention, which has pledged its Presidential fealty to Ben Butler.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATS.

THE CONVENTION FIGHTING OVER STATE OFFICERS—DELEGATES TO CINCINNATI.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 1.—Despite many protestations in favor of harmony, it became apparent soon after the delegates to the Democratic State Convention arrived in this city yesterday, that the Gary men, notwithstanding the utter hopelessness of their cause, came prepared to make a bitter fight to nominate their leader, and, if they failed in this, to postpone the nomination of State officers. Many of them were exceedingly bitter in their denunciation of "machine" politicians in general, and Hampton and the State-house clique in particular. Hagood's friends appeared hopeful and confident, and paid little attention to the complaints and ill-concealed chagrin of the opposition. Caucuses were held by both factions until an early hour this morning, and when the convention was called to order, at 12 o'clock to-day, in the State-house, by J. D. Kennedy, Chairman of the Executive Committee, it was generally understood that Gary's friends had decided to confine their efforts to the postponement of State nominations. J. H. Rion was elected temporary Chairman, and, no contesting delegations being present, the convention lost no further time, and elected J. S. Cothran permanent Chairman; also, five Vice-Presidents, two Secretaries, and Treasurer. After a brief skirmish, the rules framed in 1876 were adopted to govern the convention, and the vote had scarcely been announced when Mr. Munroe, of Union, offered a resolution to go into nomination for State officers. Both sides seemed afraid to force an issue upon this question. Much sparring ensued, and it was finally decided, with little opposition, to refer the resolution

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

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GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:30 A. M.

U. S. 4½s, reg. ... 109½ | U. S. 4s, reg. ... 109
$10,000 ... 109½ | $500,000 ... 109⅛

GOVERNMENT STOCKS. 1 P. M.

U. S. 6s, 1881 ... 100 | U. S. 5s, 1907 ...
$50,000 ... 100 | $5,000 ... 109

GOVERNMENT STOCKS. 2 P. M.

U. S. 5s, 81, C. ... | U. S. 4s, C., 1907 ...
$94,000 ... 109¾ | $5,000 ... 109

SALES TO 2 P. M.

S. Car. 6s, non-fd.		Central of N. J.		St. Paul.	
$3,000	3½	1200	44½	200	77½
N. Y. L. E. & W.		100	44½	200	77¾
new 2d consol.		100	44½	200	77⅞
26,000	70	100	44½	200	78
20,000	70½	100	44½	200	78
20,000	70½	100	44½	200	78
20,000	70½	100	44½	100	78
10,000	70½	100	44½	100	78
15,000	70½	100	44½	100	78
15,000	70½	200	44½	100	78
25,000	70½	200	44½	100	78
15,000	70½	200	44½	100	78
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8 A.M., Western Express, daily, except Sunday, for Albany, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls, via Saratoga, with drawing-room cars.

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J. H. TOUCEY, Gen. Supt. Geo. Passenger Agt.

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7:30 A.M., Express, for Boston, without change, Parlor cars to Boston.

9 A.M., Express, for Boston, with Parlor cars to Boston.

12 M., Express, for Boston, with Parlor cars to Boston.

4:30 P.M., Express, for Boston, with Parlor cars to Boston.

5:30 P.M., Express, for Boston, with Parlor cars to Boston.

7:30 P.M., Express, for Boston, without change, Parlor cars to Boston.

11:45 P.M., Express, for Boston, without change, Parlor cars to Boston.

Trains will also leave Boston for New-York as follows:

7:30 A.M., Express, Parlor cars to New-York.

9 A.M., Express, Parlor cars to New-York.

12 M., Express, Parlor cars to New-York.

4:30 P.M., Express, Parlor cars to New-York.

5:30 P.M., Express, Parlor cars to New-York.

7:30 P.M., Express, Parlor cars to New-York.

11:45 P.M., Express, Parlor cars to New-York.

Tickets for sale at the principal offices in New-York and Boston. Baggage checked from residences by the Baggage Express Company. Parlor cars free. Excursion tickets to Newport, Narragansett Pier, Watch Hill, Block Island, Shelter Island, Greenport, Saybrook, Lyme, Niantic, Mystic, Stonington, Watch Hill, Narragansett Pier, Newport, Block

THE FIELD OF MEDICINE

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS EXCHANGING VIEWS.

DR. SAYRE ON AMERICAN SURGERY—DR. SEGUIN DEMANDS MEDICAL UNIFORMITY—A NATIONAL BOARD OF HEALTH—CLOSE RELATIONSHIP OF POVERTY AND MORTALITY.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the American Medical Association was opened at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, in Association Hall, with prayer by the Rev. William P. Morgan, D. D. It was estimated that not less than 1,200 physicians were present as members and delegates from the various State medical societies, besides from 200 to 300 spectators, comprising distinguished medical practitioners in this City, Brooklyn, and the neighboring towns. The platform was occupied by the officers of the association, with a few guests of special distinction, among them Dr. Gross, of Philadelphia; Dr. Atlee, of Lancaster, Penn., who first performed the operation of ovariotomy; Dr. Hunter McGuire, of Virginia, late Surgeon-General of the Confederate Army; Prof. W. W. Dawson, of Cincinnati; Prof. Trenholme, of Montreal; Dr. J. Marion Sims and Dr. Campbell, of Georgia. Among those who were elected visiting members were Prof. T. Williston Wright, of the Medical Department of the University; Drs. Allan McLane Hamilton, J. Meredith Clymer, Leonard Pitkin, A. E. MacDonald, and J. McKenzie Gordon; Prof. David, of Montreal; Dr. Joseph Hutchison, of Liverpool, England, and Mrs. J. S. Briggs, M. D., of Newark, N. J.

The address of welcome pronounced by Prof. T. Gaillard Thomas, of New-York, followed directly upon the invocation of the Rev. Dr. Morgan, and, though brief, was gracefully conceived and appropriate. After addressing the Fellows of the American Medical Association, Prof. Thomas said that the pleasant duty had been devolved upon him to welcome them to this City. Sixteen years had passed since the Fellows of the Association were last welcomed to New-York. The country had gone through the struggle of a tremendous war, and now again from all sections they had come together for peaceful consultation. Our City ought not to be known alone as a centre for the accumulation of gold; it should be appreciated also as the cradle of progressive and enlightened science. It could not be supposed that the ascendency of the present age was due to any extraordinary superiority of intellectual power. It would not be contended that the intellects of the nineteenth century were superior to those of Socrates, Plato, or Aristotle. No; the difference lay in the rapid dissemination of modern thought as compared with ancient. Amid all the fluctuations of the last century there had been a general elevation of professional tone. At no time could it be so fully said as now that merit was the key to success. The powdered wig, the gold-headed cane, the sonorous voice, the imposing manner were no longer potent. The telegraph, the printing-press, and facilities for literature had brought about a new intellectual standard—one by which man were measured by what they accomplished.

After the calling of the roll by the Secretary, William B. Atkinson, of Pennsylvania, followed the address of Prof. Lewis A. Sayre, President of the association, in which were considered the advance of American surgery and medicine, the propriety of adopting the metric system, and the prospects of the association. Who, he asked, can properly appreciate the advantage that this association has already been to the medical profession? Contemplate the difference in morals, the decline in scientific investigation, the mutual respect and good feeling between its members at the present time, and its condition when this association was founded. At that time there were often carvings, jealousies, and heart-burnings. Those who had served in the Medical Academy of Sciences should be directed to investigate the whole subject *de novo*, and to report a plan for the permanent organization of a National Board of Health. It was concluded, however, after a full discussion of the subject, that for the present the organization in existence answered as well as any, and the academy accordingly reported advising Congress not to take any present action. As evidence of the value of the National Board of Health, Dr. Billings cited the operations of the organization under the National Quarantine law, by which, in his opinion, the process of yellow fever in 1879 was decidedly staid, and more money was saved to the country three times over than they expended in applying the law. In conclusion, Dr. Billings alluded to some of the objections offered to the National Board as now constituted, and augured a brilliant future notwithstanding the opposition that appeared in various quarters.

A committee was appointed to consider the subject. Its report will be presented for discussion at the general session. The second paper before the section was by Dr. Charles Robert Drysdale, of London, England, on the "Death-rate of the Rich and Poor," and the relation between poverty and a high ratio of mortality. The paper, which, in the author's absence, was read by Secretary Thomas F. Rochester, of Wilmington, N. C., commenced by pointing out the vast improvements in sanitary science of late years. Yet, with all these advantages, it was found that the death-rate in London had rather increased than diminished. Instead of 28.9 per 1,000 in 1856, 26.8 in 1870, and 26 in 1877. In all England the rate had remained identically the same for three decades, namely, 22.26 per 1,000. The point Dr. Drysdale endeavored to elucidate was that the great cause of this non-improvement resided in the mass of indigence, which, now as always, was instrumental in producing a large crop of premature deaths in all densely-populated States. M. Villermé, the distinguished Parisian physician, and several of his able collaborators in the *Journal d'Hygiène Publique*, had contributed some valuable facts to the argument. Thus, it had been observed in France that persons between the ages of 40 and 45 die, if in easy circumstances, in the proportion of 6.8 per 1,000, while if poor, they died at the rate of 18.7 per 1,000. That is, the mortality between these ages was twice and a half as large among the poor as it was among the wealthy. It was found, too, that in Paris, between the years 1817 and 1826, it inhabitant in every 15 died in the Twelfth Arrondissement, which is peopled in great part by the poor; while in the Second Arrondissement, inhabited by the wealthier classes, the deaths for the same period were only 1 in every 48. M. Garnier, of Paris, in 1867, speaking of the mean life in a large industrial manufacturing city, had found that it was only 17 years in the quarters inhabited by the poor, against 42 among the higher classes. Villermé calculated that the probable life of the infant of a weaver at Mulhouse was 5 years, 1 year and 4 months, while that of the baby of the proprietor of the factory was 36 years. Dr. Drysdale cited from a pamphlet written in 1877 upon the dwellings of the wages-receiving classes in Paris some further suggestive figures, from which it appeared that a death-rate which was the mean of the whole population is always misleading. Thus, in part of a sub-district in London, comprising houses in good condition, the death-rate did not exceed 11.8 in every 1,000, while there were adjacent dwellings in the same sub-district in which the death-rate had risen to 86 per 1,000; and it was now reported that there were particular districts in London where the death-rate was 80 per 1,000. On the other hand, the average death-rate of the whole population was only 24 per 1,000 in 1848, and had scarcely deviated from that figure since. If such statistics were insufficient, he would refer to the researches of Ansell, who collected the statistics of 46,044 children of the opulent classes in England, including professional men, the nobility, and gentry. It appeared from Ansell's tables that among these classes the death-ratio was only 30.45 per 1,000 for children under a year old, while for all classes taken together it was 150. Dr. Little found the ratio in Berlin, a city of extreme poverty among the working classes, to be occasionally as high as 500 per 1,000. In conclusion, Dr. Drysdale referred to the statistics of New-Zealand as a remarkable confirmation of Ansell's tables. In New-Zealand of late years the wages of laborers had been very high, and the profits of capital large, with meat only 2d. a pound, so that a laborer was able to secure plenty of food without undue anxiety. The result was a death-rate of only 12.5 per 1,000—a fact mainly due to the absence of an indigent and badly-paid class. In England and Wales, with the same death-rate, some 350,000 lives would be saved every year. In passing, Dr. Drysdale took occasion to dissent from the view that alcohol is the great cause of evils in modern States. It was probable that a New-Zealand laborer did not drink less beer than he did before he left England, and yet he lived nearly twice as long in New-Zealand as he could expect to live at home.

The reception and promenade concert given in honor of the association at the Academy of Music in the evening was in every respect a merited success. The academy was thronged to its fullest capacity, and in Nilsson Hall, adjoining, supper was laid for 3,500 persons. Under the efficient management of the Committee of Arrangements, the affair passed off smoothly, and everybody was well pleased. A large proportion of the 1,500 doctors in attendance at the sessions of the association were present, and the wives, daughters, and lady friends generally of the resident members were well represented. The academy was decorated with floral offerings, the nodes containing ferns and exotics were ranged about the dancing-floor, and wreaths of evergreens and smilax depended from the ceiling. The stage was set for an out-of-door scene in Italy, and the effect of the lights, music, flowers, and endless throng of dancers and promenaders was as bewilderingly interesting to the medical man from abroad as their entertainers could desire. Grafulla's band rendered an excellent programme of selections from Weber, Lecocqe, and Arditi, intermingled with waltzes and polkas, and it was midnight before the festivities terminated. Among the more prominent persons present were Surrogate Calvin, Algernon S. Sullivan, the Rev. Dr. Burchard, Dr. Janeway, of the Board of Health; Drs. Fagnan, Gillette, A. A. Smith, Fordyce Barker, Walker, Hunter, Sayre, T. Addis Emmet, Frank H. Hamilton, C. R. Agnew, W. H. Thompson, Loring, Sims, Lask, Carroll, Lee, and Montrose Pallen.

A VICTOR AT WRESTLING.

BOSTON, June 1.—The wrestling-match yesterday between Michael Donovan, of New-York, and Jem Hutchison, of Marlborough, Mass., for the championship of America, was won easily by Donovan in three bouts in falls.

ENFORCING THE POOL LAW

SUPPRESSING BOOK-MAKING AT JEROME PARK.

ONE OF THE DEALERS ARRESTED FOR VIOLATING THE LAW—HE IS ADMITTED TO BAIL BY JUDGE WHEELER—WHAT THE AMERICAN JOCKEY CLUB WILL DO.

While Inspector Thorne was on duty at the Central Office last Sunday evening, he was waited on by a gentleman, believed to be an agent of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, who called his attention to the provisions of chapter 176 of the Laws of 1877, in regard to pool-selling and book-making, and demanded that they should be enforced during the racing at Jerome Park on Decoration Day. The law referred to is entitled "an act in relation to bets, wagers, and pools," and prohibits the keeping of any room in any building, or part of any room on public or private property, for recording or registering wagers or selling pools on human feats or the feats of animals, or on political nominations, appointments, or elections, under penalty of imprisonment not to exceed one year or a fine not exceeding $500, or both fine and imprisonment, for each offense. Inspector Thorne had charge of the police arrangements at Jerome Park on Monday, and, previous to the commencement of the races, he called the attention of the stewards to the law, and informed them that if any attempt was made to sell pools or register wagers on the result of the races, he would cause the arrest of the offenders. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon Inspector Thorne caused the arrest of Matthias Sharp, an English book-maker, who was engaged in making up a book on the races. Police Justice Wheeler, who was present on the course, was informed of the arrest, and after the races were over he drove over to Fordham and opened court there. Sharp was brought before him, and a formal complaint for violating the Pool law was made. The magistrate read over the law, and then said that its provisions were perfectly plain, and he would hold the accused for trial in $500 bail. The required security was given by the Jockey Club through Mr. Theodore Moss, and Sharp was liberated.

Very naturally, the members of the American Jockey Club are indignant at thus being singled out by the Police to serve as an example for enforcing the Pool law, which has been a dead letter, so far as the race tracks are concerned, ever since its passage. Pool-sellers have been arrested in this City, and to some extent the public sale of pools has been restricted, but at all the parks around the City, and throughout the State, the auction and mutual pools have been sold as freely since the passage of the law as before. At Saratoga, Long Branch, Coney Island, and, indeed, all the prominent race-courses, with the one exception of Jerome Park, pool-selling has been continued in public, the associations have reaped hundreds of thousands of dollars from the sale of privileges, and no arrests have been made or attempted. When the law was passed, the Jockey Club was notified by the Police Commissioners that it would be enforced at Jerome Park or the sellers would be arrested. Pool-selling was stopped in accordance with this mandate, and from that time neither an auction nor a mutual pool has been sold at Jerome Park. English book-making was then carried on openly, and since then betting has been adhered to ever since. What will be the ultimate result of the arrest on Monday cannot at present be foreseen, but it is certain that the Jockey Club is thoroughly aroused, and will defend vigorously the action of its members in the Court of Law, should a trial ensue. The arrest of Sharp was made very quietly, and the officers of the club were duly warned of it beforehand, but they are all greatly excited over the matter and propose taking immediate measures to make it a test case. The wording of the complaint was suggested to a Tribune reporter last evening by Mr. Theodore Moss, who is himself an influential member of the club. He said:

"The arrest of Sharp was an outrage, and so all fair-minded men will regard it. I know anything about the man himself, and never saw him until yesterday. In going his bail, I acted simply as the agent of the American Jockey Club, which has been most grossly insulted in this business. Everybody knows that the club is composed of gentlemen of the highest character. The most prominent gentlemen of New-York are proud of being its members, and they have striven faithfully to obey the laws, as they understand them, in all respects. Why they should be singled out to make examples of I do not know, unless it is because somebody making a dead set against them, and it is full time now for them to take up arms and defend themselves. When the Pool law was passed, the Jockey Club yielded prompt obedience to its provisions. It was the only club that did so, and you know very well that on every track in the State, with the one exception of Jerome Park, pools are sold as openly now as they ever were. In giving up its pool business, the Jockey Club relinquished an income of about $100,000 a year for the sale of privileges to the auction and mutual dealers, who netted about that amount annually. Every other association treated the law with contempt, and none of them have been molested. The action now instituted the system of English book-making, which eminent legal authority have assured us is not prohibited by the pool law. We have been allowed up to this time to pursue this system unmolested, and it has taken Mr. Crosby, or somebody else, years to discover that book-making is illegal. Why, forsooth, they make arrests in the City yesterday, if they were so anxious to enforce the law? Pools were openly sold on our races in Barclay-street, at Hunter's Point, and at other places in this City and Long Island, and no complaint was made that this Police Court, of all the law. Possibly the instigator of the arrest wanted a high example, but I can't see the justice in singling out the most respectable club in the City, and the only one that has shown any desire to obey the law, for persecution. It is a serious matter, and a question which the Jockey Club will not submit to meekly."

"What does the club propose to do about it?" asked the reporter.

"I can't say yet what we shall do. Our course will come before the club on Monday, and the men who are fighting us will be likely to find their hands full. Had they notified us to stop book-making, as they did pool-selling, giving us a fair time to consider the matter, we should not feel so sore about it. We believe we should have obeyed the order believing, as we do, that we are clearly within the law, is another question; but we should have felt that we had been treated like gentlemen, which is a consolation denied us now. They allowed us to go on and perfect all our arrangements under the conviction that what we had done in the past could be continued. We have received $30,000 for the privilege of book-making at this meeting, and, of course, if they succeed in putting a stop to it, the club will have to pay back the money. That is one consideration, but not the main one. We believe that we are right; we do not believe that we have violated any law, and we do not propose to submit to a persecution from which every other club is exempt, if we can further the interests of ourselves, as we believe that we can. We must make a test case of the arrest of Sharp, and get an authoritative judicial decision on the law. The man waived examination before Judge Wheeler yesterday, so that his case might be sent to the Sessions as soon as possible for trial."

"Will the book-making continue as usual at the races to-morrow?"

"It certainly will, unless the Police make a raid on us and arrest all the men engaged in it, and, if they do that, I see no reason why we cannot obtain an injunction restraining them from interfering with us in the future until the Sharp case is disposed of. But I can't say what our course of action will be yet. All that is certain about the matter is that we shall fight to protect ourselves to the end."

BROOKLYN'S ONE-HEAD BILL.

THE MAYOR AND CONTROLLER UNABLE TO AGREE ON CANDIDATES.

Controller Steinmetz and Mayor Howell, of Brooklyn, met in the latter's office yesterday to take action in reference to the appointment of the heads of the different departments of the City Government, under the One-Head Commission bill which passed the last Legislature. The Controller submitted the following list:

James Jourdan to be the head of the Department of Police and Excise.

J. J. Van Nostrand to be the head of the Department of City Works.

Joseph F. Knapp to be the head of the Fire Department.

William M. Thomas to be the head of the Department of Buildings.

James Crane to be the head of the Department of Health.

All of the gentlemen named are Republicans. Mayor Howell refused to vote for them, and made particular opposition to Gen. Jourdan. He had to admit that Gen. Jourdan was a good officer, but he desired to get rid of him in order to make room for Sigismund Kaufmann, a man who has made himself particularly conspicuous as an anti-Grant Republican. The Mayor said: "I'm ready to give you a new deal all round," by which he meant to express that if Mr. Steinmetz would agree to the nominees which Boss McLaughlin directed Howell to furnish, the appointments could be made. The Controller refused to vote on any of the names he had submitted unless all were voted on together. Following is a list of names which the Mayor submitted:

City Works—William H. Hazzard, James Bodwell, George Kingsland, or James Locke.

Police—S. Kaufmann, D. S. Auston, John Ruggy, C. B. Kroggsgaard, Dr. Goldmark or Henry Werner.

Excise—Stephen Ridder, Marvin Cross, George Kinkel, or William Taylor.

Fire Commissioner—I. D. Velsor, J. F. Knapp, William Burrell, Anton Weber, or John D. Arnheim.

Buildings—William M. Thomas, Dr. Buckman, Benjamin Suzzs, Caleb Smith, or James H. Stephenson.

Health—Andrew J. Otterson.

If no agreement is arrived at between the Mayor and Controller within 10 days from the time the One-headed bill was signed, the Auditor is added to the appointing power by a bill which is now awaiting the Governor's signature, and an additional 30 days is given to all three, or a majority of them, to make the appointments. If not made at the expiration of that time the appointments are to be made by the Tribunal constituted within ninety days, when the appointing power is given to the Mayor to appoint. The plan contemplated by the bill is to remove the obstruction of the triple-headed commissioners by creating a long interval over the bill giving the Auditor power to act, on the ground that Senator Hubbs, whose vote passed the bill, has since made affidavit that he asked to have his vote changed before the calling of the roll was finished. The legal proceedings have already been taken, and a ruling Judge is depended on to grant an injunction restraining the Auditor from acting. The Ring men have no hope of, nor do they particularly care for, success in the courts. Their sole object is to continue the litigation until the time in which the Controller, Auditor, and Mayor can act, shall have expired, and thus save the Boss, who now controls the departments.

THE NEW MINING EXCHANGE.

THE CEREMONIES AT THE FORMAL OPENING FOR BUSINESS YESTERDAY.

The rooms of the American Mining Stock Exchange, at No. 68 Broadway, were formally opened for business at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The basement and first floor of the rear portion of the building have been thrown into one, forming a long, narrow board-room, with a gallery lengthwise on the northern side on a level with the first floor, and a central well rising to a skylight in the roof. Two rows of iron pillars support the ceiling. The Chairman's desk and the quotation boards are at the southern end. The front half of the building is fitted up as offices. The wood-work is cherry and mahogany, the railings are of iron, bronzed, and the frescoing is in buff, brown, and bronze, with colored borders. The rooms of the San Francisco Exchange were imitated as closely as possible. The general effect is handsome, and the ventilation is excellent, the western wall of the room being mainly windows. Yesterday two large American flags were draped on the wall above the Chairman's desk, and two baskets of cut flowers stood upon the desk itself, whose green cloth upholstery was prettily festooned with smilax. An immense throng attended the opening ceremonies. Mr. George W. Smiley, the Chairman, delivered the inaugural address. He said that within 20 years the production of precious metals had added over $1,000,000,000 to the wealth of the country. Within two years upward of $70,000,000 of Eastern capital had been invested in mines and mining properties. The total amount of dividends disbursed to shareholders in the mines west of the Sierra Nevada Mountains since 1859 was, in round numbers, $186,885,000. Of this the Comstock lode furnished $120,282,400. During the same period the assessments levied on the same mines aggregated $76,070,000, leaving a profit of $43,705,600 above all expenses. The mines of Lake Superior yielded within two years over $12,000,000. One mine in the Bodie district distributed among the stockholders nearly $1,750,000, without one dollar having been levied in assessments.

The regular list was then called for the first time. It includes the following 32 stocks: Amie, Bodie, Boston Consolidated, Bulwer, Bye-and-Bye, California, Chrysolite, Climax, Columbia, Consolidated Pacific, Consolidated Virginia, Crown Point, Deadwood, Glynn Dale, Hukill, Iron Silver, Leadville Consolidated, Little Chief, Mayflower, Mineral Creek, Mono, Silver Nugget, South Bulwer, South Noonday, Standard, Stanby, Sutro Tunnel, Tombstone, Vandewater, Cocoalla, and Copper Prince. The following transactions took place during the call: Amie, 3,000 shares at $1 85, (per $10;) Chrysolite, 200 shares at $18, (per $50;) Climax, 100 shares at $2 50, (per $10;) Columbia, 100 shares at $3, (per $50;) Crowell, 500 shares at 35 cents, (per $1;) Dunnage, 500 shares at 50 cents and 500 shares at 55 cents, (per $5;) Hukill, 600 shares at $2 15, (per $5;) Little Chief, 500 shares at $2 75, (per $50;) Silver Nugget, 1,000 shares at $1 60, 1,000 at $1 65, and 1,000 at $1 70, (per $10;) Sutro Tunnel, 100 shares at $5 87½, (per $100;) 100 shares at 15 cents, (per $10.) Two men—Messrs. McDonald and Lawrence—did nearly all the purchasing and selling.

Speeches followed by the Hon. Milton S. Latham and Gen. C. T. Christensen. The latter made a point of the assertion that the bonanza kings had wished the enterprise success. The members and their specially invited guests then partook of a lunch by Delmonico, consisting in part of unlimited champagne, after which speech-making was resumed and continued until a late hour in the afternoon.

A CHAPTER ON WHITEFIELD.

DR. BEVAN ON THE GREAT PREACHER'S VISITS TO AMERICA.

A paper on "The Visits of George Whitefield to America" was read by the Rev. Dr. Llewellyn D. Bevan last evening, at a meeting of the New-York Historical Society. Dr. Bevan's paper dealt with the first visit of the great preacher to this country, and to a portion of the second. The first visit was made in 1738, soon after Whitefield's ordination as a Deacon of the Church of England. John Wesley had returned from the Colony of Georgia, and it was his field of labor that Whitefield determined to take up. The voyage to Savannah occupied five months. Whitefield landing at that place on May, 1738. Receiving a hearty welcome from the colonists, he entered upon the performance of his missionary duties, which were soon interrupted by an attack of fever. Subsequently Whitfield wrote letters to England, in which he spoke hopefully of the country and of the results of his labors. Several small schools, wherein the English language was taught to the children of French settlers, were opened by him. The Freemasons had already established their order in Georgia, and one of the most interesting services conducted by Whitefield was held under their auspices. On Aug. 28 of the same year he returned to England to receive full orders as a minister, and also to collect money for the founding of an "orphan house" in Georgia. Having collected $2,000, he sailed for America on Aug. 14, 1739, arriving on Oct. 30. Dr. Bevan quoted from Dr. Beadle's "History of the Second Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia" to show that Whitefield met with a very cordial reception from the people of that city. His favorite rostrum was the steps of the old Court-house. The effect of his preaching was to change the tone of society there. The whole town grew religious; ball-rooms and concert-saloons were closed, public amusements were discontinued, religious conversation became general, and only religious books would sell. Many persons came a distance of 40 miles to listen to the eloquent young preacher, who was then not over 25 years of age. Whitefield was invited to preach in New-York by a Mr. Noble, but the Pastors of the Dutch and the Episcopal churches refused to allow him access to their pulpits. Dr. Bevan supplemented his paper with the statement that Whitefield's bones are now, and have been for many years, exposed to view at Newburyport, Mass., where he died and was buried. One of the arm bones was at one time stolen by an Englishman, who, several years after the theft, sent it back in a neat box to the Presbyterian minister of the town, with the following brief explanation: "Dear Sir: my conscience won't allow me to keep the inclosed any longer."

THE BONES OF A SAINT.

HOW THEY CAME TO THE SEIZURE-ROOM OF THE CUSTOM-HOUSE.

In the seizure-room of the Custom-house is a large packing-case, which arrived on the steam-ship Caledonia from Gibraltar a few days ago. Yesterday it was opened by the official examiners, and was found to contain a handsome box of stained wood, curiously wrought, and with gilded claws for supports. A lid securely locked inclosed the front. When this was let down, it was seen that the box was a reliquary, or shrine, containing the effigy of Saint Discolina, martyr. The bones of the saint were discovered in 1805. They have been artistically and covered with wax, so as to reproduce the form of the original, who appears to have been a very young man, with long, fair hair and almost feminine features. The imitated flesh is semi-transparent, showing the outlines of the bones beneath. On the forehead is a cut or scar, designed to show the manner of death. The figure lies partly on the back, the face being half turned toward the glass panel disclosed by opening the lid. The head rests on two cushions of crimson silk, richly gold-embroidered. It is encircled by a crown of flowers and a golden halo. The body is richly clothed in silk of various colors, magnificently embroidered with gold. One arm lies across the chest, the hand grasping a branch of palm. The other is stretched by the side along the glass panel. One leg is extended at full length and the other is slightly drawn up. Portions of the legs and arms are bare. Near the head is a glass bottle set in brass and supposed to contain some of the blood of the martyr. The contents give it a purplish appearance. The interior of the shrine is beautifully ornamented. As an adjunct to the crypt, there is a slab of white marble framed and sealed, on which is rudely scratched the representation of a hand and that of a bird, with the words "Discolina, in pace." This is supposed to have inclosed the tomb of the martyr. The case was shipped from Rome, and is consigned to a nunnery at Cincinnati. It was sent to the seizure-room for special examination by request, and it was well that this was done, for the intelligent examiners, unable otherwise to find any dutiable value, were actually about to break open the shrine in order to ascertain the quantity of wax contained in the figure, when Gov. Noble, the Superintendent of the Seizure-room, interposed, and sent for Collector Merritt, who ordered them to let it alone.

STABBING AFFRAY IN BROOKLYN.

A desperate fight occurred last evening in the saloon No. 249 Hamilton-avenue, Brooklyn, between Herman Fernhoven, a lighterman, residing at No. 149 Pearl-street, in this City, and George Wright, a son of the proprietor of the saloon, who was employed by his father as bar-tender. Fernhoven had been drinking, and became very quarrelsome in the saloon. Wright ordered him to leave, and the latter refusing, a fight ensued. The bar-tender seized a club, and, attacked the lighterman and struck him three times on the head. Fernhoven drew a penknife from his pocket, and, rushing at Wright, stabbed him in the abdomen. After the stabbing, Fernhoven ran out of the saloon, Wright following, and fell dead in front of the door, apparently paralyzed. It was taken in an ambulance to the Long Island College Hospital, where the surgeons pronounced the wound in very serious condition. The knives were found, and if particular care in the case of the prisoner, and if particular care in the case of the prisoner, and if particular care in the case of the prisoner